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15th Oct.	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
22nd ,,	ARCADIA	6603	INDIA	7911
29th ,,	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
5th Nov.	CALEDONIA	7558	BRITANNIA	6325
12th ,,	MONGOLIA	9505	.....	.....
19th ,,	ARCADIA	6603	OCEANA	6610
26th ,,	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
3rd Dec	CALEDONIA	7558	MACEDONIA	10512
10th ,,	MARMORA	10519	.....	.....
17th ,,	ARCADIA	6603	CHINA	7912
24th ,,	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
31st ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9503
1905.				
7th Jan.	ARABIA	7603	.....	.....
14th ,,	PENINSULAR	6294	VICTORIA	6522
21st ,,	NUBIA	7914	.....	.....
28th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	HIMALAYA	6898

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D. N. GRAHAM, Hon. Secretary, Polo.

POONA 11th EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1904.

OWNERS are reminded that entry closes at 6 P. m. on MONDAY, 17th October, 1904.

CECIL GRAY, Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Poona, 12th October, 1904.

BOMBAY, BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

ALTERATIONS IN TRAIN SERVICE.

THE PUBLIC are advised that on and from the 1st November, 1904, the PASSENGER TRAIN SERVICE on the Proad-gauge section of this Company's System will be REVISED, the following being the Principal Changes involved :—

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(b) The present MID-DAY PASSENGER TRAIN will leave BOMBAY at 13 30 and will run as far as SURAT only arriving there at 21-25. The corresponding Up Train will leave Surat at 2-5 and arrive Bombay at 16-35. Second and Third Class carriages only will run on these trains.

(c) An additional Through Fast Passenger Train will leave Bombay at 18-40 and arrive at Ahmedabad at 6-05, halting at principal Stations only.

(d) In the Up direction a Through Passenger train stopping at all stations will leave Ahmedabad at 12-50 and reach Bombay at 6-0.

(e) A Fast Through Passenger Train stopping at principal Stations only will leave Ahmedabad at 16-0 and arrive Bombay at 6-55.

(f) The present Up Mixed Train leaving Ahmedabad at 21-45 will be discontinued.

(g) In lieu of the present Bulsar-Baroda Local Mixed, a Local Passenger Train will run between Bulsar and Ahmedabad, leaving Bulsar at 9-0 and arriving at Ahmedabad at 14 20. The corresponding Up train will leave Ahmedabad at 6-55 and arrive Bulsar at 15-30. Second and Third Class carriages only will run on these trains.

2 The Trains on the Branch Lines will also be altered to suit the Main Line changes.

3. The Up and Down Mail Trains, and the Down Passenger Train which leaves after the Down Mail, will remain practically the same as at present. The Mail Trains will, however, run through Navsari.

4. Detailed timings may be ascertained from the Sheet Time Tables exhibited at Stations.

F. W. HANSON, For General Traffic Manager.

General Traffic Manager's Office, Bombay, 11th October, 1904.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 2, Dalal Street, Fort, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of October, 1904, at 3 P.M., to transact the following business :—

1. To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet made up to 30th June, 1904.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint an Auditor for the current year and to fix his remuneration.

By order of the Board of Directors,

JEHANGHEER HORMUSJEE & Co., Secretaries & Treasurers.

Bombay, 11th October, 1904.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th October, to 22nd October 1904, both days inclusive.

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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance-sheet for the year ended 30th June, 1904.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To appoint a Director in place of one retiring.
4. To confirm the appointment of Mr. Jamsetji P. Chrystal as a Director in place of the Honourable Mr. G. H. Armstrong resigned.
5. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th to 15th October 1904, both days inclusive.

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N. C. MACLEOD, Administrator-General's Office, High Court, Bombay, 15th October, 1904. AS. Administrator General.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION. SMALL CAUSES COURT.

Suit No. 1025 of 1904.

AKHA CHAPA, JUTA BHAGWAN, SOGA KHOOMA, DHOOA SUJA, Trading as AKHA CHAPA, by their constituted Attorney NARSING R.O. A.....Plaintiffs.

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NANCORBAI, widow of MOHANLAL CURSONDAS and SHIVSHANKER GOPAL-JI.....Defendants

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SECURITIES—
2 1-2 per cent. Consols ... £88 3-8 = unchanged
2½ do. Rentes ... 89⅜ = do
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan ... £105 = do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper ... £85 9-16 = — 1-16
SILVER—
Spot in London ... 26 9-16 = unchanged
2 months hence ... 26 3-8 = do
Spot in New York ... 57 1-2 = + 1-8
EXCHANGES—
Paris cheques ... 25⁷14 = — 1-2
Berlin „ ... 20⁴36 3-4 = — 1-2
New York Demand ... 4·85 1-2 = unchanged
DISCOUNTS—
Bank of England ... 3 per cent = unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills ... 2 1-2 per cent = do
6 „ „ „ ... 2 3-4 per cent = do
3 „ „ Fine Trade Bills ... 2 3-4 per cent = do
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills ... 3 1-8 per cent = do
INTEREST—
Day to day loans ... 1 1-8 per cent = do
7 day market loans ... 1 3-8 per cent = do
Extra Council Bills allotments. Bills on Calcutta Rs. 40,000 at Is 4 1-16d.
Extra Council Bills allotments. Transfers on Calcutta Rs. 2,00,000 at Is 4 3-32d.
RUBBER—
Para Rubber 4-10 1-2 sellers.
WHEAT—
Club No. 1 32 7-8 O.-N., sellers
White Delhi 31 1-8 N.-D. done
White Karachi 30 1-8 A.-M., sellers
Red Karachi 29 1-2 A.-M. done
} steady.
RAPESEED—
Yellow Gujerat 34 3-8 O.-N., sellers dully
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 35 5-8 N.-D. done steady
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 3-8

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet, Manchester steady. Total sales 7,000. Spot 5·58—8. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 13-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 300. Imports nil. Arrivals closed steady.

Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
5·42	5·42	5·42
—5	—6	—6
Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April
5·43	5·44	5·45
—5	—5	—5
April.-May.	May-June.	
5·46	5·46	
—5	—6	

Receipts at U S Ports ... 44,000
Do. last year ... 49,000
Exports to Great Britain ... 12,000
Do. do Continent ... 18,000
In New York—
Spot ... 10·40—15
Futures, month of December ... 10·00—15
Do. do. March ... 10·12—16
In New Orleans—
Spot ... 9 15-16—3-16
Futures, month of Jan. ... 9·53 — 14
Do. do. April ... 10·18 — 13
Tone at close ... steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Thursday, 13th October, 1904:—

Cotton ...	719 bales,
Wheat ...	27,715 cwts,
Linseed ...	2,596 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard ...	2,055 „
Gingelly seed ...	933 „
Poppyseed ...	1,289 „
Groundnuts ...	83 „
Castorseed ...	17,589 „
Rice ...	8,600 „
Myrabollams ...	67 „
Cottonseed ...	7,795 „
Mowraseed ...	1,501 „
Gram ...	1919 „
Joowar ...	3,979 „
Maize ...	nil „

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, OCT. 14.

THE great heat of last week has been succeeded during the current week by a succession of thunderstorms over a very large portion of the country. The accompanying rain has proved of great benefit to the Rabi crops, and has improved the prospects of the cotton crops. Rain is still required in Guzerat and Kathiawar and as the weather is becoming cloudy in those districts, there is a promise of a fall in the near future. Reports received from up-country are of a satisfactory nature regarding the growing crops, especially cotton, and large estimates are being formed of the out-turn for the coming season. Receipts of Bengals have come to hand and are eagerly taken up by the local Mills at high rates. The quality is satisfactory and shows considerable improvement over that of last year.

The Directors of the Bank of Bengal have further advanced their official rate this week by one per cent. the current rate being 5 per cent. per annum. The Directors of the Bank of Bombay have followed suit by raising their rate one per cent. to 4 per cent, per annum, after having remained at 3 per cent. per annum since the 16th June. Sterling exchange quotations have been raised 1/32d. both for buying and selling since our last mail report, and the Council Bill allotment for the current week was at Is. 4 1/32d. for bills and Is. 4 1/16d. for Telegraphic Transfers, being 1/32d. higher than has been obtained since the 20th July. Rupee paper has further declined with dearer money.

COTTON.

Advices from home since our last mail report have shown a few moderate fluctuations, closing at about the same as last week. The bullish telegrams which were flooding our local market a short time ago have ceased, and the advices now received are of a more cautious nature. The heavy premium on Spot cotton in Liverpool, ruling last month, has quite disappeared with the arrival of new cotton, and the quotations now ruling show only a small difference of 16 points in Spot over October-November deliveries, and there is only a difference of 04 points between the latter and May-June deliveries. Receipts at the U. S. Ports continue fairly heavy, but the rush to bring new cotton to market has ceased with the decline of the premium for Spot.

The following are the daily closing Spot prices o middling Americans in Liverpool and New York since our last mail report:—

	Liverpool.	New York.
Oct. 7th	5·02	10·45
„ 8th	5·08	10·45
„ 10th	5·79	10·55
„ 11th	5·08	10·55
„ 12th	5·03	10·55
„ 13th	5·58	10·40

The following are the daily closing quotations for futures Liverpool, December-January, and New York, December:—

	Liverpool.	New York.
Oct. 7th	5·44	10·16
„ 8th	5·49	10·11
„ 10th	5·49	10·27
„ 11th	5·52	10·12
„ 12th	5·48	10·15
„ 13th	5·42	10·00

In Bombay an easier tone has been prevalent during the week with more inclination to sell on the part of dealers, and a bearish tendency in the Sutta bazaar. Prices, however, are still abnormally high especially for near deliveries for which there is a good demand from the local Mills and also for export to Japan. We hear of little doing by shippers to Europe, and the orders coming to hand from that quarter are too low, at present, to compete with the local demand. As supplies increase we may anticipate a lower range of rupee quotations, if the weather continues favourable and the present good prospects of the crop are realised.

We quote as follows for new crops:—

Fine M. G. Bengals ...	November	Rs. 227
do. do. ...	December	Rs. 220
do. do. ...	January	Rs. 217
F. G. (H. G.) do. ...	do.	Rs. 197
F. G. (M. G.) Khandeish do. ...		Rs. 222
Fine M. G. Damangaum do. ...		Rs. 239
Do. M. G. Berars fair staple do. ...		Rs. 236
Good M. G. Broach ...	March	Rs. 254

COTTON STATISTICS.

Receipts for the week ...	6,175
Receipts from 1st Oct to 13th Oct ...	12,409
Shipments for week to Europe ...	6
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports ...	3
Total ...	9
Total Shipments from 1st to 13th Oct.	
Europe ...	6
Japan ...	5,500
China ...	nil
Coast ports ...	3
Total ...	5,509
Afloat in Harbour for Europe ...	nil
China, Japan, and Coast Ports ...	5,038

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM

Tone—easier.
Estimated sales ... bales 8,000
Imports ... do 5,000

Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·36	5·36
—5	—6
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb
5·36	5·37
—5	—5
Feb.-Mch.	Mch-Apl.
5·38	5·39
—6	—6
Apl.-May.	May-June
5·41	5·40
—6	—6

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED was very quiet during the week and prices declined almost every day. Fairly large shipments from the Argentine Republic and better reports from there about the new crop induced the buyers in Europe to hold back, and as stocks here are still considerable, prices gave way. Another factor is that shrubs are now turning their attention more to new crops, and the old crop does not get that full support which it received during the summer months. Prices went as low as Rs. 5-12 to Rs. 5-13 for bold brown Linseed, but have hardened again a little as a natural re-action. December delivery is quoted Rs. 6-5-6 and new crop May 1905 delivery Rs. 6-10 to 1 s. 6-11.

RAPESEED was also quieter and prices declined during the week. There was a better enquiry at the lower rate from shippers which again steadied the market somewhat, and to-day's quotations for brown Cawnpore are Rs. 4-13 to Rs. 4-14, and yellow Cawnpore Rs. 5-6 to Rs. 5-8.

CASTORSEED.—Very little business passed, as the market is in the hands of speculators who have forced prices up much above the level of buyers in Europe. Business was done as high as Rs. 28 1/2, but at Rs. 26 1/2 and even lower, transaction were reported.

POPPYSEED is still neglected and prices declined to Rs. 5-8 to Rs. 5-9 at which rates some business was done the last few days.

GINGELLY SEED—New Howree is arriving in small lots but the quality is not always satisfactory being either rain-damaged or apparently stunted in growth. Prices have shown a hardening tendency the last few days as the crop is expected to be smaller than last year, and sellers, at any rate, are not keen to enter into engagements. In Allahabad 15 per cent. was reported at Rs. 35. Secunderabad at Rs. 36. November to January delivery and in Howree at Rs. 38, November December delivery.

WHEAT was quiet but steady during the week under review, with little doing for export in the local market. Prices are unchanged.

Week's Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay:—

Cotton ...	6,175 bales.
Wheat ...	2,88,003 cwts.
Linseed ...	20,423 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard ...	13,558 „
Gingelly seed ...	6,572 „
Poppyseed ...	7,952 „
Groundnuts ...	477 „
Castorseed ...	18,390 „
Rice ...	1,30,020 „
Myrabolams ...	2,023 „
Cottonseed ...	43,964 „
Mowrasseed ...	7,694 „
Gram ...	8,582 „
Joowar ...	30,355 „
Maize ...	495 „

SEEDS—
Linseed.—Tone steady. Rs. a. p.
Ready ... ... 5 15 0 to 5 14 0
Rapeseed.—Tone steady.
Brown Cawnpore, Ready. 4 14 0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready. 5 6 0 to 5 8 0
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.
Ready 5 10 0
Castorseed—Tone steady.
Ready ... ... 27 1-2 to 28 1-2
GINGELLYSEED.—
Howrae Khandeish.....Rs. 33
WHEAT.—Tone steady.
Pissi 91 per cent.... Rs. 29
Club No. 1 ... Rs. 29 1-2

FREIGHT.

This market was steady throughout the week and there has been rather more enquiry from shippers and a fair amount of cargo for forward shipment was booked. A large line was reported at 16s. 6d. seeds. Antwerp and Dunkirk, November, for Hull. 17s. seeds was paid for November, and for Marseilles 16s. 6d. seeds, December, and Antwerp ready wheat at 17s. Quotations are as follows for picked ports:—

October... ... 17s. 3d. seeds 17s. 6d. wheat.
November-December. 16s. 6d. to 17s.
January to May ... 16s.

The fixtures for the week reported in the marke include five steamers. One for October-Novembe shipment, full cargo of wheat at 18s. nett. One steamer October-November at 17s. The steamer Okhla October-November at 17s. 6d. Ville de Tamatave, October-November at 17s. and the Cromwell, November, at 17s.

MONEY.

BANK RATE.—
Bank of England since 21st April 3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do 16th June 3 do
Bank of Bengal do 6th October 4 do
Bank of Madras do 6th June 4 do

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 8th October as compared with that of the previous week.

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	
Public Deposits	55,04⁶	Increase
Other Deposits	13,45,84⁵	Decrease
Sundries	25,38⁷	Increase
ASSETS.		
Government Securities ...	3,12,12⁸	Increase
Other Authorized Securities ...	4,10⁰	Decrease
Credits on Securities	1,87,89⁰	do
Loans, do.	4,13,22²	Increase
Bills discounted & purchased ...	15,70,57⁹	do
Balance with other Banks ...	3,99,70⁶	Decrease
Sundries	18,79⁵	Increase
Cash	29,93,13⁹	Decrease

These figures show an increase in the Trade Demand of about 31 1/4 lakhs.

The Bank of Bengal weekly cash balance was 19 lakhs lower and that of the Bank of Madras 11 lakhs down. On the 13th instant the Directors of the Bank of Bengal, for the second week in succession, raised the official rate 1 per cent., the rate now being 5 per cent. per annum. As a matter of course our local Bank rate was also raised at the weekly meeting of the Directors on Thursday afternoon, the rate now being 4 per cent. per annum. The present position of our money market is not altered to any great extent, Short fixed deposits for a period of three months are still placed at 3 per cent. per annum, and it is not expected that any large remittances of funds for the movement of crops will take place before the Diwalli.

PAPER CURRENCY RESERVE.

The following are the latest returns as published in the "Gazette of India" for the 30th September.

	Rs.
Silver coin ...	11,64,04,085
Gold coin and bullion ...	16,06,44,225
Silver held as security ...	2,25,00,⁷14
Total of notes in circulation, Rs. 39,95,68,360.	

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was 60·20 lakhs. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday 50 lakhs was put up for tender, of which 41·10 lakhs was taken in bills at Is.4 1/32d. and 8·90 lakhs in telegraphic transfers at Is. 4 1/16d. tenderers at these rates receiving 13 per cent. For next week the amount for allotment has been raised to sixty lakhs. Extra allotments are announced to-day for Rs. 40,000 in Bills at Is.4. 1/16d. and Rs. 2 lakhs in transfers at Is. 4 3/32d. both on Calcutta.

The mail of the 30th September brings £70,000 silver and £70,000 gold, for Bombay, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta ...	Rs. 19,60,000
Bombay ...	„ 14,30,000
Madras ...	„ 2 80,000
Total...	Rs. 36,70,000

The mail of the 7th October brings £130,000 silver and £80,000 gold, for Bombay and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta ...	Rs. 41,90,000
Bombay ...	„ 11,70,000
Madras ...	„ 4,30,000
Total...	Rs. 57,90,000

The mail of the 14th October brings £70,000 silver and £80,000 gold for Bombay and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta ...	Rs. 20,10,000
Bombay ...	„ 11,70,000
Madras ...	„ 5,80,000
Total...	Rs. 41,50,000.

Specie shipments of £150,000 silver and £40,000 gold to Calcutta are also advised by this steamer.

EXCHANGE.

An upward movement has taken place in this market following the stronger advices from Calcutta, and the higher discounts advised from London. We have not heard of any large volume of business passing locally, and it seems that the sales of bills to which we referred in our last week's mail report, have exhausted the supply for the present. Bank Demand is quoted Is. 4 1/32d. to Is. 4 1/16d. ready and Bank T. T. Is.4 1/32d. October, Is. 4 1/16d. from 15th November, and Is.4 3/32d. from 15 December to end of February. For Mercantile paper we quote 3 months' sight D-A, Is. 4 7/32d. October, Is. 4 1/4d. November Is. 4 9/32d. December and Is. 4 5/16d. December January. There was a moderate enquiry for Bank Demand at Is. 4 1/16d. for the mail, which was available in one or two quarters.

Exchange—Tone firm.

Bank T.T. ...	Is 4 1-32d
Bank Demand ...	Is 4 1-32d to 1-16
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A. ...	Is. 4 7-32d.
Do 6 do do ...	Is. 4 11-32d
French Francs 3 do do ...	170
Marks 3 do do ...	138
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight ...	135
Shanghai 30 do do ...	189
Japan 30 do do ...	148 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

This market has been fluctuating during the past week, but the general tendency was downwards following Calcutta advices. As the demand for money increases there is the usual outflow of stock from the temporary investors during the slack season and the price of 3 1/2 per cent rupee paper invariably declines about this time of the year. The quotations for the local Corporation bonds, however, remain fairly steady, as they are not affected in the same way.

3 1-2 per cent. cash ... Rs. 97-8
3 1-2 per cent. 31st October ... Rs. 97-8
3 per cent. ready ... Rs. 86-12

Rupee Paper.	Rate.	easier.
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	1923	105 0
4 per cent „ „	1930	105 4
4 per cent „ „	1932	105 4
4 per cent „ „	1934	105 4
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	1934	105 0
4 per cent „ „	1943	105 4
5 per cent „ „	Taxes	116 117
5 per cent „ „	Sanitary	115 116
4 per cent Bd. Impt. Trust	1959	104
4 per cent „ „	1964	104

BULLION.

The fluctuations in Silver during the week have been small. The Banks sold a moderate amount and the off take is reduced to about 40 bars a day. A small business is reported in gold.

	Rs. a. p.
English Bar Gold ...	23 15 0
Australian Bar Gold ...	23 14 0
Bombay do ...	24 0 0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15 4 0
Do. Dragons ...	15 0 0
Silver—ounce Ready ...	67 6 0
Do. 1st settlement ...	67 6 0
Do. 2nd do. ...	67 6 0

PIECE-GOODS.

The market continues quiet with very little demand from up-country markets. Prices are for the most part unchanged. A fair business for forward delivery has been done during the interval, the distant shipments required however have prevented many lines going through.

METALS.

In copper and yellow metal prices at home have advanced about £ 1 per ton and in sympathy with this advance the market here is also firm. But owing to sufficient stocks dealers realize much below home equivalents and no forward business is reported Iron and steel are also firm at home but quiet here, probably owing to the approach of Diwali. Spelter and Quicksilver are quiet but steady. Pigiead is advancing. Owing to the recent strike at Marseilles shipments were delayed and stocks are very low here.

SHARES.

The market is quiet. Bank of Bombay shares are reported to have changed hands at and about Rs. 1,280 and Rs. 1,282 1/2. Commercials are quiet at Rs. 34. In Press Companies, Mofussils have changed hands at Rs. 542 1/2, New Berars at Rs. 510, C. D Indian Cottons at Rs. 148 3/4 C. D. Munmar have improved to Rs. 263. Harvey and Sabapathy are steady at Rs. 585, Volkarts at Rs 1,015. In Miscellaneous list, Alcocks are steady at Rs. 282, Badham Piles at Rs. 156, Bombay Burmah have changed hands at Rs. 8,250 and later on in the week at Rs. 8,150 Quarter shares at Rs. 2,053, Kemps are steady at Rs. 244 Treachers quiet at Rs. 500. Bombay Telephones are steady at Rs. 26 1/4, Bombay Flours are unchanged at Rs. 80, Delhi Flours have improved to Rs. 180. Port Canning are quiet at Rs. 430. In Railway Companies Tapti Valleys are quiet at Rs. 367 1/2, Ahmedabad Prantej have changed hands at Rs. 500, Ahmedabad Dholka at Rs. 99. In Mill Companies, Central Indias have advanced to Rs. 1,570 and are steady at the rate, Swadeshis to Rs. 900 C. D. Ahmedabad Advance Mill shares to Rs. 525. Chinas are quiet at Rs. 500, Colaba Land and Mill shares have improved to Rs. 445; Currimbhois are unchanged at Rs. 595, City of Bombay Mill shares have improved to Rs. 755, Manekji Petits have ruled at and about Rs. 2,045 C. D. during the week. Morarjis have improved to Rs. 1,795 X. D. and Sholahpurs are unchanged at Rs. 1,890, X. D. Southern Marathas have improved to Rs. 137 1/2. Davids are unchanged at Rs. 215, Standards have improved to Rs. 430, Framjee Petits have changed hands at Rs. 770 X. D., Kohinoors are steady at Rs. 350, Hindustan mill shares have changed hands at Rs. 405, Indian Manufacturing Company at and about Rs. 400, Queen Mill shares are weak at Rs. 495, Ilipons have improved to Rs. 400.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, OCT. 13.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed ... quiet
Surats ... quite
Good Bhownuggur ... „
The Manchester Market has been ... steady
3 1-2 per cent Consols ... 88 3 5
2½ per cent Rentes ... 98
3 1-2 per cent Sterling Loan ... 105
3 1-2 per cent Rupee Papers ... 85 9-16
Bar Silver ... 26 9-16

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—
Total Bullion, £37,100,000 Decrease £8,00,000
Public Deposits, £8,000,000 Decrease £300,000
Other Deposits, £41,200,000 Increase £8,00,000
Govt. Securities, £16,300,000 Decrease £1,700,000
Other securities, £23,800,000 Decrease £4,000,00
Notes and Gold, £37,100,000 Decrease £6,00,000
The Banks Reserve is 55 per cent of the Liabilities

GOLD AND SILVER.

SIMLA, 9TH OCTOBER 1904.

I.—Imports and Exports of Gold and Silver during the official year 1904-1905.

	Imports.	GOLD. Exports.	Net Imports.
In the month of Aug. 1904—			
Weight in ounces...	334,078	202,183	131,895
Value in rupees ...	2,02,40,734	1,18,10,348	84,30,386
To the end of the month of Aug, 1904—			
Progressive—			
Weight in ounces...	1,48,3⁷7	408,682	1,019,895
Value in rupees ...	8,62,95,737	2,35,51,554	6,27,44,183
	Imports.	SILVER. Exports.	Net Imports.
In the month of Aug. 1904—			
Weight in ounces ...	17,767,055	3,419,359	9,342,786
Value in rupees ...	2,44,90,000	19,72,986	1,5⁷,26,014
To the end of the month of Aug, 1904 —			
Progressive—			
Weight in ounces ...	47,610,767	17,868,372	29,752,395
Value in rupees.....	9,07,57,655	4,02,34,211	4,95,23,455
	Imports.	TOTAL. Exports.	Net Imports.
In the month of Aug. 1904—			
Weight in ounces.....	.....	.....	.....
Value in rupees.....	1,45,39,734	2,07,83,331	2,37,56,260
To the end of the month of Aug, 1904—			
Progressive—			
Weight in ounces.....	.....	.....	.....
Value in rupees	18,23,53,413	6,97,8⁷95	11,22,61,638

II.—Silver received and coined in the Mints during the official year 1904-1905.

	COINED AND BULLION RECEIVED (ASSAY VALUE). In the month of Aug. 1904. Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1 Bullion received for coinage of dollars ...	.....	10,7⁷,363	10,7⁷,363
2 Old rupees received from Government Treasuries and Departments ...	20,63,101	7,62,327	28,25,321
3 Native State coins received for re-coinage into British Rupees ...	.....	1,271	1,271
4 Bullion purchased for Government coinage ...	.....	43,9⁷,761	43,9⁷,762
	To the end of the month of Aug. 1904. Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1 Bullion received for coinage of dollars ...	.....	3,45,56,121	3,45,56,124
2 Old rupees received from Government Treasuries and Departments...	1,25,83,283	41,99,337	1,67,81,650
3 Native State coins received for re-coinage into British Rupees' ...	.....	3,91,924	3,91,924
4 Bullion purchased for Government coinage ...	43,58,145	2,15,⁷7,139	2,65,15,565
	COINED AND EXAMINED. In the month of Aug. 1904. Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1 British dollars (Tale) ...	.....	20,17,019	20,17,019
2 Rupees ...	18,03,027	48,29,096	96,29,123
3 Half Rupees and small silver coins (value in rupees) ...	.....	.....	.....
	To the end of the month of Aug. 1904. Calcutta. Rs.	Bombay. Rs.	Total. Rs.
1 British dollars (Tale)...	.....	6,48,847	6,48,847
Straits dollars (Tale) ...	.....	1⁷1,8,218	1,⁷1,35,218
2 Rupees ...	1,59,00,121	1,86,11,146	3,45,11,26
3 Half Rupees and small silver coins (value in rupees) ...	22,13,016	.....	22,13,016

DIVINE SERVICE.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

XX SUNDAY, AFTER TRINITY. OCT. 16.

7 30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral Toms in F.
Hymns—31, and 235.
8 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Canticles—Toms in F.
Hymns—305, 13 and 219.
Collections for—Church Expenses.
Daily Matins at 9·45 a.m. and Evensong at 5.
D ily Holy Communion at 7·15 a.m.
Tuesday 18th St Luke—Holy Communion 7·15 a. m. (Choral).

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL
(Madras Time)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.
6·30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—235, 265 and 108.

WESLEYAN CHURCH,
(Colaba Causeway.)

a.m.—Parade Service Preacher—Rev. C. Ryder Smith B.A.
6 p.m.—Evening Service, Preacher—Rev. C. Ryder Smith B.A.
4·30 p.m.—Sunday School.
8-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.
9-30 a.m.—Preacher—Rev. C. Ryder Smith B.A.
6 p.m.—Preacher—Mr W. J. Kenobeth.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a. m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist—(Choral)
10 a. m.—Children's Service,
10-45 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong—(Choral)—Preacher—Rev Father Nicholson.
Alms for Church Expenses.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

7-15 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.
Collections for the Church Improvement Fund.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH,
(Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.)

10-30 a. m.—Matins and Sermon.
6-30 p. m.—Evensong and Sermon.
7 p. m.—Wednesdays Evensong and Sermon.
Oliver W. E. Grant Harbour Chaplain.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—Choral—Celebration of the Holy Communion.
8 a.m.—Parade Service.
5 p. m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong, Choral and Sermon.
Offertories—during the day for Church Expenses.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
(Church of Scotland.)

11 a.m.—Morning Service.
6 p. m.—Evening Service.
Psalm—118.
Hyma—153.
Hymn—175.
Hymn—211.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.
(Wadhy Road.)

8 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a. m.—United Service, St. Andrew's Church.
4-30 p.m.—Fellowship Association.
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Rev Alex S. Crichton.
Hymns—217, 393 and 308.
Psalm—145.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—(Choral).
4 45 p. m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

BAPTIST CHURCH.
(Bellasis Road, opposite Byculla Club.)

8-30 a. m.—Mor

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THE steamer Arroyo, 2307 tons, Captain H Plough, will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer, Planet Venus 2,819 tons, Captain J W Kelly, arrived in harbour yesterday, from New York 8th September with a general cargo and 15000, cases Kerosine oil.

THE Hansa Line steamer Malkefels, 3,192 tons, Captain V Petersen, arrived in harbour on Thursday from Antwerp, 18th September, with a general cargo and 5 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Jumna, 2987 tons Captain E W Peck, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta and October with a cargo of coal and general and 7 deck passengers.

THE B I S Co's steamer Itola, 3861 tons, Captain W C Lemarchand, cleared yesterday for Calcutta via coast ports, with a general cargo, Mr J M Weatherman, ascahin and 2 deck passengers.

THE Hall Line steamer Knowsley Hall, 2793 tons, Captain Allan Buck, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Glasgow 10th September via Liverpool with a general cargo and Major Copeman and Lieut Littledale as passengers

MAN-OF-WAR AND ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

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H M S Redbreast ...Lt Comdr H C Somerville ...Royal Navy
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Do Karen— ....
Do Pathan— ....

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—OCT. 14.

Vessel.	Ton.	Cap.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
India	2501	Fordes			M M & Co
Okara	2170	Fenwick			M M & Co
Chingtu	1436	Hawkes	Calcutta		M M & Co
Arroyo	2307	Plough			Andrew Yule & Co
Sutherland	2271	Wallace			W & A G & Co
Vedra	2164	Skinner			M M & Co
Argyll	2221	Anderson			W & A G & Co
Arcadia	3417	C40 6		Aden 22-10	P & O
Aythia	501	C Ellis			P & O
[illegible]	2113	Brodie			[illegible] & Co
R I M S		Harding-Comdr		Wardea	R I M
Apalachee	1340	Simpson			W & A G & Co
Golcar Hall	2793	Buck			K N & Co
Planet Venus	2819	Kelly			K N & Co
Jumna	2987	Peck			M M & Co
Sudan	4207	Lockyer			Transport

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCES DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Cap.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
2	Henry Bolcow	633	Comp...	Singapore	17-10	B & P S N
4	Sind	2502	Tod &	Antwerp	22-10	M M & Co
5	Morocco	1139	Hannah	Rotterdam	22-10	M M & Co
P S	Sabadell	1,258	Corts		22-1	B & P S N
P S	Sabadell	Mas...		Antwerp	22-10	M M & Co
Q	Lindisfarne	2030	Tucker	Zanzibar	15-10	M M & Co

HARBOUR WALL P. DOCK.

Puri	663	Ahmed	Bangalore	11-10	Shepherd
Calabria	3,000	Shepherd	Liverpool	20-10	Mackinnon
Dwarka	1193	Rothwell	Liverpool	15-10	M M & Co
Saturnus	917	Ahmed	Karachi	15-10	Shephara & Co

MERCANTILE DRY DOCK.

Scounder	1675	Bretiner	Mauritius	20-10	H S Sidick

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Date.	Agent.
1	Imaum	3703	Pemberton	Dunkirk	22-10	K Nixon & Co
2	Zemindar	3488	A Fo	Liverpool	15-10	W A & G & Co
3	D Hamilton	3244	Campbell	Colombo	15-10	G Ferrero
4	Indian	3781	Macintosh	Genoa	17-10	G Ferrero
5	Chusan	3552	Hedrick	Genoa	15-10	P & O Co.
6	Pekin	3665	Cook	Bona	15-10	P & O Co
8	Inshalla	2151	Mackenzie	Dunkirk	22-10	Morrison & Co
9	Malkefels	3195	Von Freden	Karachi	22-10	Glade & Co
10&11	Nubia	3541	Thiard	Genoa	21	Do Co
12	Persia	4185	Bruce	London	15-10	P & O S N

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
13	Molkefels	Freeden	Antwerp, Sept 18
14	Hansa	Feck	Southampton, Oct 2
	Sardinia	Lockyer	Southampton, Sept 20
	Knowsley Hall	Buck	Glasgow, Sept 10
	Planet Venus	Kelly	New York, Sept 8

DEPARTURES.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
13	Strathnevis	Buchan	Calcutta
	Sachsira	Poole	Calcutta
14	R I M S Clive	Rowlands	Amsapore
	R I M S Canning	Lywood	Aarsani
	Icon	Marchand	Calcutta

The following Vessels obtained their port clearance yesterday
Steamer Arroyo, Plough for Calcutta
" Do Hellenic Canessa for Genoa, &c

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday.
Steamer Sardinia for Fordes Gulf
" Ayuthia for Singapore and Penang, &c

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

THE B I S N Co's steamer, Mattra passed Lisbon on the evening of the 12th inst.
The H [illegible] steamer Gorkha left Suez on the morning of 13th inst.
The Clan Line Co's steamer Clan Ross arrived in London on the evening of the 13th inst.
The Clan Campbell arrived at Suez from Colombo, Madras and Calcutta on the evening of the 12th inst.

CALCUTTA.
ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Names.	Tons.	From
11	Pentakota	2109	Rangoon
11	Umkuzi	1393	Durban
11	Surada	3454	Tourivdia
11	Dalpdeck	1231	Colombo
11	Historian	1115	Liverpool

DEPARTURES.

Oct.	Names.	Tons.	For
11	Helenia	2106	Hamburg
11	Kenley	2131	Colombo
11	Patiala	1929	Rangoon
11	Romulus	1722	Barcelona
12	Palermo	1830	London
12	Florican	2120	Bombay
12	Falls of Keith	2150	Madras
13	Flamingo	2359	Colombo

MADRAS.
ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	From
9	Clan Alpine	Coast

DAILY EXPORTS.—OCTOBER 14.

FOR LIVERPOOL.
Scindia s—19 bales wool (Meast and Co); 15 cases India Coudhuri Chidambaram Pompiah and Sons; 27 bales wool A A Cassum & Co bales wool A Jaimanal; 32 bales wool Rodewell ; 39 bales wool Mehta and Co; 19 bales wool W and A Graham and Co; 300 cotton, Tyabjee and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.
Inkonka s—1800 cwts linseed Soniet Colonials Italiana 1000 cwts myrabolans Hassanbhoy and Co; 12000 cwts wood Lala and Co
Imaum s—2000 cwts linseed Ernst Lim and Co; 1000 cwts poppyseed Volkart Brothers

FOR ANTWERP.
Shadwell s—50 bales shoddies The Bombay Co; 30 bales hemp A Visram and Co; 100 cwts wheat and grain Volkart Brothers

Swalesdale s—125 bales cotton 10000 cwts cottonseed 4000 cwts mowrah seed 200 cwts castorseed Mahi Bros; 2000 cwts rapeseed Volkart Brothers; 200 cwts mustardseed A Bhaiseas and Co; 200 cwts safflowseed Cadjee Poonja 2000 wts linseed Ernst Lim and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.
Scindia s—50 bales shoddies The Bombay Co; 300 cwts cardamdessee N Fuze Bally and Co

FOR ROTTERDAM.
Pekin s—953 bales cotton C Mossabhoy and Co,)
Inchala s—300 bales cotton N Chinoy and Co)

FOR YOKOHAMA.
Chusan s—46 bales wool G H Hodgson and Co

FOR SHANGHAI.
Ischia s—150 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co; 150 bales twist Tata and Co; 319 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co; 35 bales twist Cowasjee and Co
Pekin s—1000 bales twist David Sassoon and Co,

FOR SHANGHAI.
Chusan s—200 bales twist David Sassoon and Co.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.
REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR R. W. L. DUNLOP, COMMANDING, B. V. R.
Bombay, October 15,

2 The Programme of the 1st Battalion G I P Ry Volunteers Rifle Meeting has been received and may be seen at Head-Quarters. Entry of 1,000 Marks is open to all Competitors and entries for the same will be received as Head-Quarter up to the 20th October 1904.
Prizes.—One Prize of Rs 35, One of Rs 25, One of Rs 15, Five of Rs 10 and Twelve of Rs 5.
E Company (Cyclists) will parade at Church Gate Station at 5-30 a.m. on Tuesday next the 18th instant to take part, with the dismounted Detachment of the A Mess Guard.
Dress Dis Order without arms.
Members of other Companies who have Cycles are requested to attend this parade.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R.

HIGH COURT.—OCTOBER 15.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice TYEBJEE.
Contested Chambers.
For Consent Decree.

163-93—In person a pauper—Sitabai widow vs Shanker Ballaji Darekere and others Nadirsha and T

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THE COURTSHIPS OF QUEEN *ELIZABETH.*

A REVISED edition of that interesting volume "The Courtships of Queen Elizabeth," by Martin Hume, has been recently issued. (George Bell and Sons.) The history of the negotiations for the various marriage projects of the maiden Queen was published eight years ago, and the enlarged edition now appearing is in response to many requests from all parts of the world, desiring further information in regard to Elizabeth's personal attitude towards her matrimonial arrangements. The author, political historian as he is, found a difficulty in complying with these demands as they mostly implied regret that the "actual relations that existed between the Queen and various favourites" had not been more fully dealt with. Mr. Hume was not of opinion that these relations were of any national importance; he had confined himself rather to the story of those courtships, which had given rise to state intrigues in the English Court and in the Continental Courts that sought an alliance with Queen Elizabeth. The personal character of the royal philanderings, though indicative of her nature, would, he held, do little to help in elucidating the interesting history of the time. He has added nevertheless, two supplementary chapters to the original text, and while these deal more in detail with the personal aspects of the Queen's courtships, the fact is kept in view that the book will be in the hands of readers of all ages and conditions. Mr. Hume is quite conscious that some curious inquirers may blame him for want of frankness. He seems to us to have rounded that difficulty admirably. The documents, mostly diplomatic, have been carefully sifted until a chronological and a clear reflection of the changing aspect of Elizabethan political affairs, and the attitude towards them of the Queen and her ministers is presented. Mr. Hume speaks of the "perverse fickleness of perhaps the greatest sovereign that ever occupied the English throne," but he also gives her credit for "fixity of purpose and consummate state-craft" which is much the same as saying that she was herself at all times, however bewildering he finds the mutabilities of her policy.

For nearly half a century Elizabeth and her ministers ought to have enjoyed themselves mightily while they played off what reads here like a pleasant, but somewhat unfair, tournament with the different European Royal houses that aspired to a matrimonial alliance with the Queen of England. One was pitted against another with consummate skill, and when negociations became troublesome and candidates pressing, Elizabeth invariably took refuge in her oft-repeated declaration that she did not mean to marry any one. Her ministers, as often as not, were working for their own interests, lending themselves to intrigues that would be of no permanent benefit to the country; but Elizabeth was always Queen enough to decline to take any decisive step that might commit her to an uncongenial course of action. The number of actual suitors for Elizabeth's hand was legion and the suggested suitors were nearly as many. Three Kings, two or three Archdukes, at least ten Dukes, French, Dutch and Italian, and English Earls, appear on the list, but the Queen contrived invariably to withdraw from the negociations on one pretence or another. Sometimes it was for reasons of religion, sometimes because the suitor was a subject or was not a prince, or she had heard he was ill-favored, marked with the small-pox, or otherwise objectionable. She demanded to see the Duke of Anjou before consenting to consider an alliance with him, but Catherine de Medicis gave it to be understood that the members of the French Royal Family were not in the habit of being sent "on approval." The negociations regarding a marriage with Charles IX were continued long enough to arouse the House of Austria to propose an alliance with Elizabeth and then dropped. When the latter project fell through there came the Swedish suit, and that again was allowed to fail in favour apparently of minor distractions which the Queen's English favorites were allowed to divert her with. It is difficult to believe that under the Queen's frivolous objections to each marriage proposed, there dwelt a deep state-craft that patriotically aimed at the preservation of the status of her Kingdom. She seemed so thoroughly imbued with an all-devouring vanity and her expressed objections to each and every match were often so trivial that it is difficult to reconcile a belief in her statesmanship. If it was as superb as Mr. Hume holds it to have been, it was certainly utterly unscrupulous.

At the outset of the long and futile incubation of the d'Alencon alliance we find Elizabeth, a mature maiden Queen of forty, considering whether this youth of seventeen was not too deeply marked with the small-pox to be accepted as a royal partner. For a true report of his appearance she sent to France a messenger, who if he found the marks very bad, was to say the match was unpopular in England, and thus put off the evil day. However when some years later d'Alencon came to England himself, his want of beauty did not prevent the Queen, who was then forty-seven, from falling in love with him and eight days of frantic love-making followed. When the suitor started again for France he wrote letters to Elizabeth "ardent enough to set fire to water." But still the marriage was deferred as the terms could not be agreed on. When d'Alencon left England after a subsequent visit, Elizabeth sent for Sussex and assured him that "she hated marriage more every day, for reasons which she would not divulge to a twin soul if she had one, much less to any living creature." Her farewell to this suitor reads like a fable. She went as far as Canterbury with him, weeping all the way, said many loving thing embraced him, called the Flushing deputation who urged his departure "heretical cobblers and tinkers" and swore to her Ministers that she would not live an hour, but that she hoped for Alencon's speedy return, that she would marry him in spite of everything. She accompanied these protestations with a present of £25,000 to Alencon. But when he left England it was never to return. When d'Alencon died Elizabeth wrote in the exaggerated language of the time to Catherine de Medicis, "If you could see a picture of my heart you would see a body without a soul." This event closed the long pretence that Elizabeth kept up of marriage intentions. Every prince in Europe, free to marry, had either proposed himself or been suggested as the sharer of her throne. She certainly remained victress, though unmated, for she had not divided her power; on the contrary she had consolidated it in times that were troublous and unsettled, both in politics and religion. After an enlightened survey of the documentary evidence of Elizabeth's sentimental history Mr. Hume remarks :—"All the love affairs we have glanced at in their non-political aspect, were but the solace of a great governing genius, who was supremely vain. Though they were accompanied by circumstances which were reprehensible, undignified and indelicate for any virtuous woman, much less a Queen, the arguments and evidence that I have been able to adduce should lead, in *my opinion, to the delivery of a verdict of* non-proven on the generally believed main charge against the Queen of actual immorality." She had indeed amused herself with every form of dalliance, without allowing any to end in an alliance. The longest of these courtly flirtations she carried well into the fifties and to the last day of her life she demanded an extravagant meed of admiration from the men who had been her favorites.

THE INDIAN VERNACULARS.

THE Study of the Indian Vernaculars is the title of a paper recently read by Sir Edward Candy before the *Cambridge University Indian Civil Service* Society and published in the current number of "East and West." It is an interesting paper intended to urge upon the young *Indian Civilian the necessity and advantage* of studying the vernaculars of the country in which he is to spend the best part of his life. But its chief claim to appreciation is that it constitutes a plea for the preservation of the vernaculars in their purity. In Western India the tendency to introduce English words into the native languages is so pronounced that the most ludicrous combinations are a common feature of the conversation of the educated classes. A dialogue is often a strange mixture of English and native phrases, and in the ears of the scholar who cares for the purity of the vernacular the result must be as extraordinary as the "pigeon English" of the Chinaman. Sir Edward Candy urges that besides the value of a proficiency in the native languages to the Indian Civilian in his work, he ought to study them in order to take part in the battle to prevent them becoming mongrel dialects. He quotes the statement of the head of a province who recently declared that the vernaculars are doomed and that it is only a question of time for their disappearance except in the country districts far removed from the bane of English education. Even in the country districts, adds Sir Edward, it is astonishing to find how English words have found a place in the native vocabularies. The worst of it is that there is hardly ever any necessity for the introduction of these words. In Western India Marathi, it is held, is rich enough to meet any exigency in social life, or in literature science and religion, yet more than half a century ago complaint was made that corruptions from the English were becoming very numerous. The corruption has been greater in the case of Gujerati as spoken by the Parsis whose sins in this respect are equalled by the Babu of Bengal. The extent to which the mixture of English with the vernacular occurs in Bombay may be easily ascertained in the course of an evening walk along the most popular promenades.

The philosopher discovers a good deal of entertainment in the mingling of lengthy English words and idiomatic phrases with Marathi and Gujerati. Sir Edward Candy gives some amusing instances of the sort of thing that one may hear wherever a number of educated natives of Bombay are gathered together. He urges as a remedy for this debasement of the vernaculars that Indian Civilians should set their faces against it. They should refuse to understand the obnoxious words whenever they come before them in conversation, evidence or pleadings, and insist on the correct vernacular terms being used. This, of course, applies to work in the districts where proceedings are conducted in the vernaculars and where the intermixture of foreign words has not the bilingual or polyglot practice of a large city to redeem it from ludicrous affectation. The recommendation that young Civilians should refuse to understand words of their own language may seem strange counsel for a retired Anglo-Indian Judge to give, but Sir Edward Candy speaks entirely as a scholar jealous for the purity of language. It is no more a sign of intellectual superiority for an Indian to interlard his vernacular with scraps of English than it is for an Englishman to mix up foreign phrases with his robust native language. Let him either speak English or his vernacular, but let him avoid the outrage on both implied by the mongrel form of speech which is becoming more and more common. In courts and public offices where business is supposed to be conducted in the vernacular, the presiding authorities would be as much justified in refusing to listen to anything not stated in the vulgar tongue as would any other authorities in declining to listen to anything in an unofficial language. But it is probably anticipating too much to expect that the Babu of Bengal and the similar intellectual type in other parts of India will reform their conversational exercises in the direction desired. Rather may we expect that the deterioration of the vernaculars as spoken by them will continue until, imitating western methods more and more, they leave the vernaculars entirely to the agricultural and artizan classes of the country.

BRITISH MERCHANTS IN CHINA.

ACCORDING to a report from Mr. Acting Consul-General Campbell little progress has been made with the railway concessions in China which were granted four to five years ago. Beyond a few miles of earth embankment nothing has been done at the Canton end towards the construction of the Canton-Hankow trunk line. On the other hand it is interesting to learn from Mr. Campbell that British trade is holding its own fairly well. The Acting Consul-General, in Commenting on this, remarks that the British firm of to-day has little to learn from continental or American rivals. It is, however, a remarkable fact that in Canton, the history of whose intercourse with foreign merchants is almost secular, there is not a single member of an important foreign firm who can converse with a native in decent Cantonese or who can attempt to check a simple correspondence in Chinese writing. Throughout South China it is a rule that no mercantile employe is expected to make any serious acquaintance with the speech of the people. It is not altogether that a knowledge of the spoken and written languages, sufficient to carry on ordinary business transactions, is difficult of attainment. It has been and is the custom to consider such a knowledge unprofitable, because it is apt to pin a man down to the district where his acquirements are useful; and again the compradore system whereby all transactions are made through a Chinese intermediary, is convenient and safe, and does away with the necessity of an intimate knowledge of the language. But it is evident that such a system must tie the merchant's hands. He is largely what his compradores make him, or wish him to be, and he has little power as a merchant to be anything else. Mr. Campbell is persuaded that the specialisation of trade must make this system in its present form impossible, and that a judicious encouragement of the acquisition of a working knowledge of Chinese should enter more largely than it does into the regular policy of British firms.

RUSSIAN VIEW OF JAPANESE METHODS.

A RECENT issue of the "Novoe Vremya" contains some interesting and instructive comments on the methods of the Japanese which are worth reproduction. According to our Russian contemporary, it is on their naval strength that Japanese depend for supremacy, an opinion that no one will find fault with, but to ascribe the crossing at the Yalu and the victory at Kinchau as being only possible of attainment with the assistance of their gunboats is entirely a Russian opinion. The object of the Japanese, our contemporary goes on to say, is to deny a naval base to Russia in Eastern waters. It is on this account that they give so much attention to Port Arthur, and to similarly neutralise the advantage of Vladivostock they will act as follows : Port Arthur being taken, Japan will seize Sakhalin, Kamchatka, and the Commander Islands. Kuropatkin will then take the offensive, but the Japanese, having achieved their main object—the destruction of Russian naval supremacy in the Far East—will retire to Korea, retaining in Manchuria only Port Arthur and Dalny. For, however numerous the Russian Army may be, it will be unable, without a fleet, to dislodge the Japanese from any of the positions they may have occupied. If the Japanese Army, numbering some 300,000 to 400,000 men, retires to Korea, it will be in an infinitely more favourable position, having the sea as its base, than an equal number of Russians, whose only communication would be by rail. The Russians, seeing the hopelessness of attempting to defeat the Japanese, would therefore conclude peace, contenting themselves with Manchuria and surrendering to the Japanese Port Arthur, Dalny, Korea, Kamchatka Sakhalin, and the Commander Islands. The fact that any Russian paper, and especially the widely circulated "Novoe Vremya" should be allowed to print the bare suggestion that Russia could consent to purchase peace by the sacrifice of territory is particularly instructive.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JAMES WILLCOCKS K. C. M. G., Commanding the Secunderabad Division, arrived in Bombay, yesterday morning, to meet Lady Willcocks, who is a passenger by the s. s. Arabia, which is due to arrive this morning.

THE final estimates for the new scheme of irrigation in the Punjab are now being passed. The cost works out to between four and five millions sterling spread over some ten years.

THE Gartok party under Captain Rawling have taken the Shigatse route on their journey to Western Tibet.

IN consequence of the recent Afridi raids special precautions for guarding the Khyber route on caravan days are being taken.

THE other day a Calcutta lady got into an empty tramcar, and an intoxicated individual, who was the only other occupant, rose, and with solemn gallantry offered her his seat. He proceeded to stand all the rest of the way. She says it is the first time she has ever been mistaken for a whole cartful of people!

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor of Ceylon has invited all those who are interested in Agriculture to meet him at the Legislative Council Chamber, Colombo, at 4 o'clock on the 28th instant, to consider the advisability of establishing a Ceylon Agricultural Society, and, if that proposal be accepted, to elect a Central Board of Agriculture.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR of Bombay will arrive at Bombay from Poona at 6 a.m. (Railway time) on the 17th instant. Arrival private. A salute of 17 guns will be fired from the Saluting Battery at 6 a.m. (Railway time) on the 17th instant to announce the arrival of His Excellency. His Excellency will leave Victoria Terminus by 11-30 p.m. train (Railway time) on the 17th instant for Poona. Departure private.

NUMISMATISTS in this country may be interested to learn that one of the finest collections of coins in India, is now possessed by the Government Provincial Museum at Lucknow. A valuable acquisition made by the Museum authorities lately is a collection of gold, silver and copper coins of the Moghul period which cost Rs. 5,000. By its acquisition the Museum has now one of the finest collection of Moghul coins in the world, some of which are especially rare.

THE meeting of the Railway Conference Association, Simla, ended on Tuesday, Mr. Douglas, Agent of the East Indian Railway being elected President for the year 1905. One question of public interest which was settled was that relating to the risk notes now signed by consignors when they despatch goods at owners' risk. Proposals are to be submitted to the Government that will increase the responsibilities of the railway in cases of loss in transit. A matter that will interest motorists is that the railways will seek permission to be allowed to carry petrol in quantities up to ten gallons by passenger trains. At present only two gallons are allowed, and even then the motorist must accompany the vessel containing the petrol.

THE draft of a notification which it is propose to issue with reference to rule 3, sub-rule (a), of the rules to regulate hunting, shooting, poisoning of water and setting of traps or snares in the Reserved or Protected Forests of the Bombay Presidency excluding Sind has been published for the information of persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is given that the draft will be taken into consideration by the Governor in Council on or after the 6th day of December. Any objection or suggestion which may be received from any person with respect to the draft before the date fixed will be considered by the Governor in Council. The draft gives a list of the reserved or protected forests in the Bombay Presidency to which it is proposed to apply rule 3 and others of the rules to regulate shooting, poisoning of water, and setting traps or snares.

THERE is one matter in connection with the visits of tribal "jirgahs" to Kabul which may have a marked effect upon the behaviour of the various clans in the future. Not only do some of the "maliks" receive breech-loading rifles as gifts but every tribesman is allowed to purchase Kabul-made ammunition. The price is only four annas per cartridge so that a fairly large amount can be obtained at small expense. As such cartridges command a price varying from eight to twelve annas in the tribal country, the outlay of money in Kabul is quite a profitable investment. The supply of ammunition, especially for Martinis, has become more difficult since the Indian Army was given the 303 rifle and orders were issued regarding the return of empty cases to the Ordnance Department; but with the Amir's factory turning out millions of rounds annually the tribesmen can get almost as much as they want. The late Abdur Rahman punished with the greatest severity anyone found trafficking in rifles and cartridges, for he held that it was dangerous to let the tribes become well armed. There has evidently been laxity in carrying out his policy during the past year or so, and yet it was unquestionably a very wise one. It is to be regretted that the Kabul Government wink at and even encourage this kind of traffic.

IT is stated in Tokio on high authority that Liao-yang is the economical centre and richest point in Manchuria. By occupying Liao-yang, Japan virtually makes herself the mistress of Manchuria, and Russia looses a most valuable source of food-supplies.

LAFFAN'S New York correspondent states that a movement is on foot to induce the cotton-spinners of England to visit the United States with a view to removing their mills and workpeople to the cotton States. The commercial bodies of the South and nearly all the Governors of the Southern States have, says the correspondent, expressed their approval of the plan.

FOR the first time, Ireland and France are to be placed in direct steamship communication. This was to take place on October 1, when a passengers mail, and cargo service between Dublin and Treport, France, will be opened. The service is to be maintained by the Compagnie des Services Maritimes du Treport, and there will be a sailing from each port once a fortnight. In the event of the business developing, more frequent sailings will be made and further steamers placed on the service.

AMAZING stories are trickling through about the new El Dorado in Nevada. The new goldfield was discovered in April last year, but the original prospectors were short of capital and the find was temporarily abandoned. Early this summer a new Syndicate was formed, and brought a claim there for £15,000. The first shaft that was sunk produced over £120,000. On another claim four months' working is said to have

RUSSIANS DRIVEN BACK.

JAPANESE SUCCESSES.

AN ENVELOPING MOVE.

PORT ARTHUR STRUGGLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 13.

Despatches from both sides show that unceasing fighting is proceeding, night and day between immense forces engaged, with varying success.

The Russians are striving to outflank General Kuroki, who holds the Japanese right towards Pensihu, while General Oku on the Japanese left with part of General Nodzu's Central Army is struggling to envelop the Russian right.

General Nodzu has captured ten field guns.

Reuter wires from Tokio to-day, that General Oku has captured twenty-five guns, making a total of about thirty.

Latest reports show that the Japanese have continued success.

General Sakharoff reports that the Japanese assumed the offensive on the 11th inst., on both sides of the Railway and north of the Yentai mines.

The Russians throughout the day maintained their advanced positions except at some points whence the troops were withdrawn to strengthen the principal positions.

Reuter (Tokio) says the official report indicates that the Japanese generally were successful in Wednesday's fighting, all three armies gaining decided advantages.

The operations for surrounding the Russians in the Pensihu district are progressing favorably.

The report adds that the pursuit of the enemy by Generals Kuroki and Nodzu progressed remarkably, a body of the enemy possessing guns being enveloped and thrown into great confusion. Another force, it appears, fled northward in great confusion.

LONDON, OCT. 14.

General Kuropatkin reports that the fighting on Wednesday night and Thursday was very desperate.

The troops of the Right wing held the advanced positions and only at nightfall retired on the main position in the centre. The troops were forced to retire from the main position at two in the afternoon.

The report from the left wing has not been received. The losses are considerable,

General Kuropatkin adds, I have ordered the positions to be stubbornly defended to-morrow.

A telegram from Reuter (Tokio) dated yesterday says that the Manchurian headquarters reports the Right Army continues in vigorous pursuit of the enemy towards the north and a column has been despatched in the direction of Shihchitotzu to intercept the enemy's retreat from Penhsihu.

The Central Army continues the attack. The enemy appeared to retreat continuously till dusk.

Yesterday evening the enemy made two daring attacks against the left army which were repulsed with heavy losses.

General Stoessel reports that the Russians on the 11th instant recaptured Signal Hill at Port Arthur. The Japanese are bombarding the interior fortress rom their new batteries. The bombardment is becoming more and more violent.

The capture of sixteen guns by the Japanese is officially admitted at St. Petersburg.

The Russian correspondents agree that the fighting is more desperate than at Liao-yang.

The combatants show a complete disregard for life. Positions are taken and retaken six or eight time daily at terrible cost.

Frequent hand to hand encounters take place both sides throwing hand grenades with murderous effect. The cannonade is continued nightly.

The following telegram was received yesterday morning from his Government by the Japanese Consul in Bombay :—

Marshal Oyama reports: Near Penhsihu the enemy's counter attacks were repulsed on all sides on Wednesday.

Our Right Army sent one detachment to Shikaotze, eight miles north of Penhsihu, to cut the enemy's retreat. The central and left columns of our Right army occupied on Wednesday several eminences, north-east of the Yentai mines, and were vigorously pursuing the enemy.

The Central Army commenced operation on Tuesday night and on Wednesday morning gained the heights a few miles east of Yentai and captured two field guns and eight ammunition waggons and while pursuing the enemy also captured field guns with ammunition waggons, numbering eleven at Sankuaishisha, besides 150 prisoners.

Pursuit by the Right and Central Armies is progressing successfully and on Wednesday the enemy's detachments with artillery was being enveloped, panic-stricken, twelve miles east of Yentai, while the rest was retreating northward in disorder.

The Left Army since Tuesday night has been continuously attacking the enemy posted near the Railway within ten miles north of Yentai.

The central column of the Left Army, after repulsing the enemy's strong forces, occupied Lantzechieh, five miles north-east of Yentai, on Wednesday afternoon, capturing sixteen guns. Thereupon we immediately pursued, the enemy retreating in disorder and captured four more guns during the pursuit. The enemy twice attempted, desperate counter attacks, but each time was repulsed with heavy losses.

The right column of our Left Army, while pursuing the enemy near Shilihe, captured five guns and five ammunition waggons.

Telegrams dated Colombo, October 14, state :—

Refugees, on arrival at Chifu, picture the garrison at Port Arthur in a desperate plight. An outbreak of cholera has occurred within the fortress, and the defenders are reduced, by war and disease, to a few thousands.

The Japanese are in possession of all the exterior forts and three inner forts, and excitement is growing in Tokio in anticipation of the fall of the fortress.

Port Arthur is being subjected to a fierce bombardment, and Japanese shells are falling from quarters previously silent, thus proving that many heavy guns have been mounted in new positions by the Japanese.

The last desperate assault lasted fifty hours, and positions were captured which seriously menace the Russian tenure of the big forts to the north-east and north-west of the town.

The Chinese report that the Japanese lost 3,000, while the Russians claim that the Japanese casualties numbered 9,000.

The Japanese captured the fort west of Itzshan, after a series of frantic efforts, during which the stormers were exposed to fire from the Russian machine guns, and in which there was much hand-to hand fighting.

The Japanese fleets are cruising east and west of the entrance to Port Arthur, as they expect Admiral Witoft, who commands the remnant of the Port Arthur Squadron, to make a sortie. Admiral Urius, commanding the Japanese Squadron of cruisers and destroyers, is cruising between Shanghai and Chifu, to prevent the Russian vessels making for neutral ports. Admiral Togo's naval cordon around the entrance of Port Arthur has effectually stopped the egress of Russian junks.

The Japanese investing the besieged fortress are displaying extraordinary activity in bombarding the fortress both day and night, and are now battering the last Russian defences eastward of the town, preparatory to the final assault.

The garrison are engaged nightly in constructing defence works, to stem the enemy's eastern advance, but these are hurriedly demolished at daybreak.

The Japanese have sapped to within four hundred yards of the fortress, and recently repulsed a sortie and captured several Russian howitzers.

Their shells are damaging the shipping in the harbour.

Both the attacking and the defending forces are displaying unparalleled fortitude and determination.

Advices from St. Petersburg state that the Russians have lost 9,000 men at Port Arthur since September 2nd.

Admiral Alexeieff reports the situation serious, but not desperate.

The garrison has sufficient water and abundant food, but the ammunition is limited, and some of the howitzer guns are much worn.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ACCIDENT TO THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

In a Motor Collision.

INJURIES NOT SERIOUS.

The Duke of Connaught while motoring near Edinburgh met with an accident and sustained injuries to his head which are reported to be slight.

He returned to Edinburgh where he was attended to by two doctors.

LATER.

The Duke of Connaught's accident was due to a collision. His Royal Highness was thrown out of the car. He was accompanied by Major Murray.

An Official bulletin says that the Duke of Connaught is suffering from a scalp wound and his left ear is injured, but no serious consequences are anticipated.

H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught is progressing satisfactorily.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 14.

A special cablegram to the "Englishman" dated London October 14th, says :—The Duke of Connaught has been seriously injured at Edinburgh in a motor collision.

The car was wrecked, and the Duke had a marvellous escape from death.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LADY CURZON'S ILLNESS.

Condition Still Grave.

LONDON, OCT. 13.

Lady Curzon passed a restless night last night and is somewhat exhausted, otherwise there is no change.

A bulletin to-night says there has been no improvement since morning.

LONDON, OCTOBER 14.

A bulletin issued late last night says there has been no rally and her ladyship's condition continues to cause grave anxiety.

Lady Curzon passed a quiet night last night but the seriousness of her condition is undiminished.

THE MIDDLE PARK PLATE

LONDON, OCTOBER 14.

The following is the result of the race for the Middle Park Plate :—

Jardy 1
Shahjehan ..... } dead heat 2
Signorino .....

THE NEW HOME RULE.

Support for Earl Dunraven.

The Irish papers ascribe much importance to the support which Sir West Ridgway is lending to Lord Dunraven's programme of Irish reform.

TRANSVAAL LABOUR.

Financier on Chinese.

Mr. Leopold Albu, the financier of the Rand, has just returned from South Africa and testifies to the Chinese being intelligent, industrious, honest and contented, and says it is impossible to have better labour. The stories of their ill-treatment, he says, are ridiculous. He regards the labour question in South Africa as now solved.

POLO AT SIMLA.

THE FINALS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 14.

The final in the local Polo tournament was played this afternoon and resulted in a fast and exciting game which was eventually won by Majors Maxwell and Smith, Lord F. Blackwood and Captain Forrester, who beat Captains Jones-Mortimer, Popham, Brooke and Poynter by three goals to two. The winning goal was not scored until the third extra chucker of six minutes was played and there was very little to choose between the two sides. Major Maxwell and Captain Popham perhaps played best for there respective teams. H. E Lord Ampthill presented four silver cups to the winners. Quite a large number of spectators witnessed the game.

THE ATTITUDE OF PERSIA TOWARDS FOREIGNERS.

The following Press communique has been issued to-day :—

A circular note has been communicated to foreign representatives at Teheran by the Persian Foreign Office that the sale, transfer or grant to foreigners of concessions held by Persian subjects will in future be invalid without the permission and approval of the Persian Government.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

SIMLA, OCTOBER 14.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. P. G. Rogers, I.C.S., is posted to Assam.

Captain F. D. Browne, I.M.S., is posted to the Central Provinces, Jail Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. J. Dennys, is appointed a Cantonment Magistrate in the United Provinces.

Mr. W. Hoenell, who has been on special duty at Simla, reverts to the Bengal Educational Service.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Conductor R. Jessiman, Ordnance Department, is transferred to the Pension Establishment.

Majors W. R Birdwood, A. E. S. Searle, H. B. Vaughan and W. H. D. Rich, are gazetted Lieutenant-Colonels and Captain H. B. Peacock, is gazetted Major.

Major H. Trevor, Indian Army, is permitted to retire with effect from February next.

Surma Valley Light Horse—Mr. E. W. Hallifax to be Captain.

Madras Volunteer Guards—Lieutenant Deane resigns his commission

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Commander Wilson is confirmed as Assistant Port Officer, Bombay.

Engineer G. E. Wood has three months' extension of leave at home on medical certificate.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. R. E. Montgomery has been appointed by the Secretary of State to the Indian Civil Veterinary Department and posted to Muktesar as Assistant to the Imperial Bacteriologist vice Captain Holmes deputed to England.

THE AGA KHAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

POONA, OCTOBER 14.

Six teams have been entered for the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament. The following is the result of drawing : Y. M. C. A. a bye, Bishop's High School and the Royal Scots will play on Monday next, and the East Lancashires and 93rd Highlanders on Tuesday, the Poona Gymkhana drew a bye. On Wednesday, the winners of Monday's match play the Y. M. C. A. and the winners of Tuesday's game will play the Poona Gymkhana. The final will be played on Friday next.

VISCOUNT de Castello Borges, a member of the royal Household of Portugal, and one of the closest friends of King Carlos, has been found murdered in his bedroom at his Castle of Armamar. The object of the crime, it is believed, was robbery, as very valuable family jewels are missing. The Police are looking for a servant who has disappeared. The Viscount, who was 50 years of age belonged to one of the oldest families of the land, and possessed great wealth. He had been Attache at the St. Petersburg and Berlin Embassies.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT DHARWAR.

VISIT TO HUBLI.

DHARWAR, OCTOBER 11.

Yesterday Lord Lamington visited the Dharwar Training College, the High School and the King Edward Park. At the High School his Excellency distributed the prizes.

As Lord Lamington arrived an ode of welcome was sung, and the Head-Master, Mr., Jather, then read a report upon the school work of the past year. In the course of his report he stated:—The school has been in existence thirty years. Mr. E. P. Robertson, one of the most sympathetic and liberal-minded Collectors that ever presided over the destinies of what was then a back-ward district, got the people and the District Local Board to subscribe together a sum of Rs. 23,140 which, being supplemented by a grant of Rs. 19,306 from Government and making a total of Rs. 45,000 in round numbers, was spent in erecting the handsome building that we are now assembled in, and the Anglo-Vernacular School. Those inhabitants of this town who, like myself remember what Dharwar was in the early seventies of the last century cannot but be struck by the immense advance in educational matters that has since then been made, and the school may, I believe, well claim a fair share of the credit that belongs to the achievement of that result.

During the three decades of the school's existence, 450 boys matriculated from the school and 70 passed the school final test, and of the former 111 graduated. The attendance in this school now is more than 330, short by about 20 only of the maximum number that this building can conveniently accommodate; and this is in the face of the yearly disorganisation by plague and of two rival schools in the town itself and a third one only an hour's journey by rail from here. The large majority of the attendance is of Brahmins; Lingayats numbering 43, come second, a long way behind; and the Mahomedans, 26 in number, are almost a negligible quantity. The Lingayats have got together a permanent fund of more than a lakh of rupees for helping poor Lingayat students in high schools and colleges, and the Mahomedans of this district have also of late collected a similar fund though a much smaller one. The school has at present, 33 scholarships, of which Government maintain 16, and the others are from private endowments of which it is interesting to note a perpetuate the memory of a woman named Venkamal who though belonging to a class of females whom custom condemns to a life of infamy, atoned for her past sins by whiling away her property of about Rs. 8,000 when on her death-bed for the benefit of poor Brahmin students studying in this school. We have no low caste boys in this school, but it may interest your Excellency to learn in passing that among the students of this district that presented themselves for the matriculation or service certificate examination this year, there is one who belongs to what is considered the lowest of the low castes, namely, the Mahars, and the Committee of examiners, of which the Head Master of this High School is president, have been struck by the exceptionally good work that he has shown in his answer papers. This is the first time that a Mahar boy has appeared for such an examination during the whole course of educational history and it is to be hoped that it will not long remain a solitary instance of its kind. We passed last year 18 boys in the matriculation examination, 7 in the school final, and in the school of arts examination 13; and the school earned a good report from the Educational Inspector in his annual inspection. We send up 37 for the matriculation this year, and 21 for the school final. Drawing forms an important part of the school curriculum, so also physical instruction without which education becomes one-sided. Ample provision is made for supplying boys with the apparatus necessary for all out-door sports, especially cricket. The want of a play-ground near the school house for the exclusive use of the school is keenly felt, but boys frequently take part in matches and give a good account. Moral instruction, which receives such emphatic mention in the most instructive resolution which the supreme Government has lately issued on the subject, forms part of our curriculum, and efforts are made to see that the boys behave well both in and out of school. Character is largely an outcome of heredity and environment, and Hindu parents are not as careful about the habits their children form at home as one would wish them to be and the schools find themselves heavily handicapped in dealing with students who spend the greater part of their time in the midst of objectionable surroundings and are exposed to influences which too often make for the reverse of what is good and noble and pure in speech and conduct. The only remedy for this, as is now well recognized, is the provision of well equipped students' hostels attached to high schools and managed under the direct supervision of some responsible officer belonging to the school staff. Mr. Giles, Director of Public Instruction, is keenly alive to this desideratum, and in accordance with the declared policy of Government a start has already been made in this direction by the Ratnagiri High School of this division being given a hostel. I hope that it will not be long before the Dharwar High School gets its turn; for a boarding house is indispensable not only in the interests of the boys mentioned, but also because it is the best safeguard, if plague it will ensure healthy residential quarters for the students at a safe distance from the infected places of the town.

English recitations were given by several scholars and the Governor then distributed prizes, after which the Coronation Ode was sung and his Excellency was garlanded.

Lord Lamington thanked Mr. Jather for his report and said he was certain from what he had seen that the school was thoroughly well conducted, and therefore he wished it success now and in the future. His Excellency also expressed his thanks for the recitations which certainly were particularly well delivered, and evidently with a thorough understanding of the subjects included in the themes. He thanked them further for the cordial welcome they had accorded to him and assured them it had been a great pleasure to him to see so many faces of those who worked within those walls, and of those who gave instruction there. His Excellency was cheered by an enormous crowd as he drove away from the school.

KING EDWARD PARK.

On his last tour Lord Lamington's presence was the signal for a welcome fall of rain, and by a curious coincidence rain has always followed in his Excellency's wake. On Sunday night a thunderstorm passed over the district and yesterday it rained heavily at intervals throughout the day. The country was in need of the moisture so the advent was welcomed, but it spoilt the Governor's last engagement for the day, which was a visit to the King Edward VII Park. His Excellency drove to the Park gardens in torrents of rain and was shown round them with the aid of a lantern, as the change in the weather had made it dark early. Mr. Sangoli, sub-Judge, who has taken a keen interest in the gardens; and a number of prominent native gentlemen were presented to the Governor. His Excellency afterwards went to the Club, where he took part in a game of Badminton, and in the evening the principal English residents of Dharwar had the honour of meeting his Excellency at the Collector's bungalow.

OTHER VISITS.

The Governor made a brief tour through the neighbourhood this morning on horseback, accompanied by the Collector Mr. Giles Gibb, and Captain Greig. Subsequently his Excellency visited the Hospital, Major Grayfoot, Civil Surgeon, who is in charge of the Hospital, conducting him through the building.

From the hospital the Governor proceeded to the Jail, an institution which is now full, with 334 prisoners. The men are engaged at numerous kinds of work, and the Governor was shown prisoners at tasks, consisting of rearing clothes, dyeing, brass founding, rope making weaving aloe-fibre matting, carpentry, cloth weaving, tapestry and carpet weaving, grinding corn, and so on. One man prostrated himself before the Governor and begged to be given his liberty. It appeared he had served one year out of a seven years' sentence for culpable homicide. In another place an old man besought his Excellency for a private inquiry into his case. He had been first sentenced to four years' transportation for abusing his position as police patel and extorting confession by torture. An appeal to the High Court had resulted in his sentence being increased to one of transportation for life and a further appeal to Government had been rejected. On account of his age, however the man had not been transported. His Excellency was conducted over all the prison buildings, and both these and their inmates had the appearance of being clean and well kept. The information, however, that the sleeping quarters, even to the plaster on the walls, were infested with vermin, and the character of the sanitary arrangements seemed to be most unsatisfactory features. Escapes of prisoners, it appears, are by no means unknown, and this is often due to the Jail premises not being altogether satisfactory when considered with a view to keeping a strict guard over the prisoners. In this connection however, blame has also to be laid very often upon the native warders about whom some curious stories are told. It is known with practical certainty that one of their little peculiarities is to let a prisoner, or two or three, out for the evening now and then, to enjoy themselves for a few hours "down town." A visit was made to the women's ward and here women were found undergoing sentences of various lengths in a great proportion of cases for infanticide. The Governor went from the Jail to the Lunatic Asylum where some 70 patients were confined. In the afternoon Lord Lamington left for Hubli.

ARRIVAL AT BIJAPUR.

BIJAPUR, OCTOBER 13.

His Excellency the Governor arrived this morning at Bijapur, and was received at the station by Mr. Bomanji, the Collector, Lord Lamington spent a considerable time in viewing the vole Gumbaz, the magnificent tomb of Mohamed Adil Shah, and other places of interest. At the Darbar Hall he received an address from the Municipality, the District Local Board, and the Anjuman-i-Islam, his Excellency replying to the last named. The address referred to the steps taken by Lord Curzon to preserve the monuments at Bijapur, and said it was only right in speaking of the Viceroy to express sympathy with him in the trial through which he was now passing.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Captain Brakspear's tenure as recruiting staff officer for the Gurkhas is extended to October 1906.

Nursing Sister E. A. Terry is permitted to resign the service. It is notified that soldiers proceeding home can transfer their Post Office savings bank accounts from Indian to British post office.

2nd Lieutenants White, Middlesex Regiment and Napier, North Staffordshire Regiment have been appointed Supernumeraries to the Second Battalions of their Regiments to qualify for admission to the Indian Army.

Major Glanville, D. S. O., has been appointed Commanding Royal Engineer, Allahabad, District, Major Biggs is posted as C. R. E., Derajat District.

The question of delocalising the 7th and 8th Gurkha Rifles (formerly the 43rd and 44th) seems likely to be settled in connection with the scheme of re-distribution of the Indian garrison. Their continued location in Assam can scarcely be justified.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Fashions for Autumn.

THE BEAUTY QUEST.

THE HEIR TO ITALY'S THRONE.

LONDON, SEPT. 23.

THE autumn colours are not yet decided upon, but among the newest gowns are seen some very original colourings, or, rather, different shades of colours. Tawny orange shading into the reddest of browns, which for some months has been the rage in Paris, has been popularised already by the woman who can wear this beautiful colour. Amethyst purple is a new shade seen in the mixed wool textures. A walking gown of this material is made with a long, tight-fitting redingote and plain gored skirt. Narrow bands of the stitched material ornament the coat, which is worn over a cream net bodice, embroidered with spots in black chenille. This shows in a vest at the front of the coat. The puffed sleeves fall like undersleeves below those of the coat. All the coat gowns are extremely plain, and broadcloth and many smooth and diagonal tweeds are used for them. The long coat with belted back will still be worn made in many stout materials.

Smooth surface textures are more seen than napped or hairy ones, and to have them self-trimmed with stitched bias bands is the correct mode of the moment. There are most attractive three-quarter length coats, with trimmings of rich embroidery—that is, the coloured silk embroidery. There are two or three distinctly diverse styles in the autumn fashions that make it difficult to choose autumn and winter gowns. Unquestionably the simple tailor-made coat and skirt with plain sleeves will be worn for general hard wear, while in other gowns the Directoire influence will be felt. All the new skirts show a slight fall upon the floor a round fall becoming and fairly practicable. The forms of the new skirts are too many to be enumerated, but it is evident that the models with narrow aprons and draped side breadths will be much worn. Other skirts in thin and dressy materials show perfectly ungored breaths, fitted with tucks or pleats at the hips. At the bottom the skirts are trimmed in innumerable ways—bands of ribbon, gimp, velvet or deep folds put on to imitate tucks. The gathered blouses worn with the skirts are seen in the airiest veilings. They show a girlish roundness, and are girdled high by the inevitable wide belt. All sorts of collar and yoke effects lengthen the shoulders, and the tops of the bouffant elbow-length sleeves fit very flatly. Cloth skirts other than the tailored costumes are trimmed with embroidered flounces, that is flounces, trimmed with a scalloped edge and a dot. In one of the of favourite models the skirt is trimmed with three ruffles of this description, and a narrow plain front breadth edged with two narrow bands, is finished in the same way. Made in cloth are many very attractive costumes all more or less elaborate, and a general looseness is noticeable. All the little details of trimming and colour are an important feature of the autumn's fashions; among these buttons are still the most popular.

For the tailored vest, which is to be worn again this winter, a tiny bullet button in gun-metal, gold, and silver is used. The button is serviceable as well as useful. An odd button, which will be used merely for trimming white vests and tailored gowns in light shades, is a round pearl shape, with the holes, through which the thread runs, as near the edge as possible instead of in the centre. Pearl buttons in all shapes and sizes, from the small button, which is the larger than a tenth of an inch in diameter, to the large smoked pearl designs, fully two inches across, will be used for trimming children's frocks and coats. In the new lace for half sleeves there are three novelties. One of these is a peculiar deep scallop in real Chantilly showing a rose pattern. The other is pompadour net, showing passion flowers or lilies, each of which is large enough to form a scallop by itself. The pompadour is really lace upon lace. In this case the passion flowers and the lilies are padded or raised fully a quarter of an inch above the net foundation and each stamen stands out by itself, a beautiful pieces of handwork.

The third sleeve lace, and deepest of all, is a net top flounce with a straight edge of Point de Venise insertion. Above this insertion and running into the foundation net is set a scalloped half moon of the Point de Venise surrounding a conventional rose pattern in pompadour work. Chenille trimming on net will be used in combination with velvet. The net, flaked in snowdrop pattern with self-toned chenille, takes the form of a wide insertion or band, and it is set into the skirt with handwork. Conventionalised flower patterns of chenille run up and down on the skirt from either side of the net band. The black spangled nets show conventional wheel designs or flowers in jet paillettes, gold and silver. A most effective piece of black spangled flouncing employs for the centres of its pattern hollow jet ornaments that look somewhat like nail heads. These are surrounded by a circle of tiny black beads, and then by a circle of sequins.

One of the season's novelties is the kid blouse. It is made of dressed kid in beautiful brown shades, and in the latest modes. Tucks, pipings, and buttons covered with the same shade of a contrasting colour lend to the most popular trimming, while high neck-bands and deep cuff are made of the same material. One model had the slightly long-shoulder, effect which was simulated by straps piped, extending from the neck to well over the top of the sleeve. The smaller coat sleeve is, however, the most popular. Daintiness is the essential requisite of the fancy blouse, and the newest French models are made of white taffetas. They are elaborately tucked and pleated, with trimming of appliques of Venetian lace and Irish point, broderies, Anglaise and Irish crochet.

Nine times out of ten the girl who is a social favourite pays dearly for being what she is. Unless she knows how to use her privilege, instead of abusing it, she is in danger of ruining her health and beauty long before the natural wreck of age sets in. The whole secret lies in the fact that the popular girl is the girl who "goes," and never seems to realise the limitations of her going powers. To stay is as yet an unlearned art. Tea-tippling has come to be a vice with the girl of fashion. It seems foolish to say that one social cup of afternoon tea, served in the tiny cup which fashion prescribes, could harm any one with sound nerves; but few girls stop at one cup. The girl, who is in demand, spends her late afternoon going from house to house, stopping at each one long enough for the cup of tea, with its accompanying wafer or slice of cake. By the time she has made the round, she had enough tea to give her a restless night. Every bad night is a black mark against the achievement of health and beauty. Nor does the drinking of tea cease with the afternoon calls. The use of tea becomes a habit as the use of alcoholic stimulant dose

Too many chocolates and sweets are ruining the teeth and digestion of the girl favourite. The organisms crave some sweet food, and the craving should be satisfied; but never more than satisfied. Any food which affects the digestion badly is likely to injure the complexion. Sweets and sweet things are often the cause of a blotchy skin. Rich foods of a greasy nature have a similar effect. The fashionable chafing dish has been the cause of a great many injured complexions. The chafing dish is one of the most useful and charming inventions that ever came into a world of hungry people, but it has brought about many late suppers that would never have been but for its popularity. Not that the late suppers are necessarily harmful. Nothing spoils the chances of sleep more than to go to bed hungry; and any one who has been up late should indulge in a tiny lunch, such as bread and milk or a dainty sandwich. But a hearty supper, a too generous Welsh rarebit, a big dish of creamed oysters is fatal to the digestion. Of course, there are lotions and cosmetics to apparently remedy the evil, but they merely ravage the skin, while the indulgence is ruining the digestion. The girl who is invited to many dances must take great pains to avoid a cold, for the exercise brings on a perspiration, and the rest which follows is taken in a lownecked gown. She should have a pretty wrap ready for the intervals between the dances. A great many of the girls who dance until late hours or early ones—are not able to make up sleep in the morning, and this is perilous. No girl ought to entertain any idea of remaining pretty unless she allows herself at least eight hours' sleep a night. Popularity is likely to lead the popular girl into the abuse of one of the best things in the world—exercise. Too much exercise is quite as bad as none at all. It only requires a little courage to refuse even the most tempting invitation if a girl is not equal to the effort. Nor will she lose her popularity by being moderate in her gaiety, which will ensure a long lease of health and beauty.

Artistic medals are among the prettiest jewel trifles. A new and effective design in popular medals is the creation of the eminent Sculptor Roty, and is called "Patria" (Fatherland). It comes in chased matt-gold or silver and represents a half-veiled woman's head, whose features are marvellously treated. The reverse of this medal represents a cocks announcing the rising of the sun. Such medals, the popularity of which is greater than ever before are carried suspended from the long chain. Many amusing breloques are also worn on these long chains. These chains are of chased matt-gold or silver and represents various animals in comic attitudes. Rubies serve as eyes. Those who have coral are now using it to good advantage since long strings of these beads are extremely effective when worn over the popular white bodices. Usually such long strings are passed several times round the neck and then allowed to fall just below the waist-line. At the end of such a small round box, similar to those formerly used for bonbons, is sometimes suspended. The touch of novelty in the box is a good-sized piece of coral set in its top. The box holds a tiny powder puff, with which its fair owner may remove from the face all traces of unwelcome perspiration. Long chains are more popular than ever. The most popular patterns are composed of links of matt-gold alternating with cut cabochon stones or motifs of chased matt-gold, representing flowers and foliage handsomely enamelled. This is perhaps because so many delightful little trinkets are attached to them. Dit-donc is the name by which these small frivolities are known. One most popular dit-donc is a tiny mirror cleverly hidden under what appears to be an enamelled water lily, a Japanese fleur-de-lis, or else a four-leaf clover. The piece of looking-glass, just large enough for a hasty peep, is cleverly hidden under the flowers. Indeed, such little knick-knacks are not altogether useless, since in travelling, especially, or after any heated exercise they assist their wearer to regain tidiness. Old Chinese clasps for belts, in which odd-looking stones, boulders almost, are set, seem to have quite replaced the turquoise matrix, which until recently was much worn. The queerer and quainter such pieces of jewellery, the more desirable they seem to be at present. In fact, so heavy an crude in design are many of these ornaments, that they almost suggest a return to barbaric splendour.

"Place aux bambins," for just now, his Majesty, "King Baby," is very much to the front! It is hardly too much, indeed, to say that babies are quite the heroes of the hour. The little Prince of Piedmont—whose arrival last week was the cause of so much rejoicing to his Royal mother and an expectant Italy—was a delightfully welcom interlude, amid the dismal records of strife in the Far East, and for one blest moment the touch of a little child seemed somehow to bring healing with it to a war-weary world. An Englishwoman, Miss Dickens, has been chosen as the "gouvernante" of his baby-highness of Piedmont, but perhaps at present the most important factor in his infant-life is the foster-mother the wife of one of the Royal gardeners, who has been elected to fill this important office. For two years she has to devote herself entirely to her Royal charge, but she is the recipient of a handsome salary during her onerous duties, and on her retirement of a substantial pension. By a happy coincidence the Queen of Roumania prophesied to Queen Elena the birth of an heir to the throne of Savoy—a prediction which will go far, no doubt, to enhance that Royal lady's prestige. But "Carmen Sylva" is a highly interesting personality from whom one expects interesting out-of-the-way things. She has always been highly unconventional, even from her unmarried days, when as Princess of Wied, she stumbled going downstairs and fell right into the saving arms of her future husband, then Prince Charles of Roumania—a prelude to a courtship which was as romantic as it was original.

The Queen of Roumania is better known almost by her nom-de-plume of "Carmen Sylva" than her Royal title. Is it that literature and Royalty are so seldom allied that the world is anxious to make so much of an exception to what is an all but universal rule? However, in poetry the Italian Royal House can hold its own. It may not be generally known that the Queen-mother Margherita, herself the "Pearl of Savoy," as she is affectionately called, is a distinguished poetess, though she has never published her effusions. The traditional etiquette, however, of the Italian Court which up to the present regime, preserved it must be owned something of the old Bourbonesque stiffness that was the pride of the Court of Turin, prevented the Queen-mother's poetry being appraised by the outside world. And her daughter-in-law, pretty Queen Elena, has also written verse. So the muses are fairly represented at the Quirinal.

Talking of poetry, a writer in a recent number of that excellent magazine, "The Boudoir" discussed at length the reasons why people read poetry less than they did ten or twenty years ago. I suppose we are getting so terribly practical and material that we are crowding out the finer tastes. It is easy to imagine that the woman who plays hockey or spends hours on the golf links, and solaces her indoor leisure with that refuge of the socially destitute, "Bridge," will hardly feel drawn to those.

Envied haunts of peace.
Calm and untouched, remote from roar,

to which only the poets know the way. Fancy reading "The Earthly Paradise" or "The House of Life" in a motor-car! It fairly makes one shudder to think of such sacrilege! However, there is no accounting for tastes. Only it does seem just a wee bit inconsistent, to say the very least of it, for us gravely to debate the evils of gambling, and to be shocked at the recent revelations anent women gamblers we hear of from the Black Country, when we are giving our less educated sisters such a thoroughgoing example of how to "improve the shining hour," one hears astounding revelations from the provinces a to the inroads made on time and purses alike by the mania for Bridge playing, and this among people who are not even on the fringe of smart society. The fact that a leading girls' magazine can seriously canvass the proposition of "a league among girls to discourage the habits of smoking and gambling" a league which one hears "has met with a ready response"—speaks volumes for the spread of the gambling craze in our midst.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following passengers will proceed to-day by the S. S. Persia for Marseilles and London :—

Alexander Miss
Anderson Mr J A
Battye Col H D
Bays Mr and Mrs G F
Brahant Dr
Brodie Capt A
Brodie Miss
Campbell Mrs K L
Cassels Mr and Mrs
Chanter Mr F W
Cochrane Capt and Mrs G H
Cox Miss Clarke Mr and Mrs F J
Charrington Mr S H
Digh Mr
Eades Mr E J
Evenson Miss
Ford Mr G A
Ford Miss A H
Fulton Hon Mr and Miss
Gabriel Mr E V
Gibson R N L C M
Griffin Miss
Giles Mr F N
Harris Miss
Harrington Capt and Mrs and Child
Henley Mr J
Holgson Mr and Mrs G H
Hall child and infant
Hall Miss
Hutchinson Mrs
Kendall Miss M C
Lake Mr W A E
Lambert Mr G B
Law Mr and Mrs T and Infant
Lewin Col and Mrs
Marsh Mr
Martin Mr and Mrs G Griffiths
Martyn two Misses
Mac Intire Miss
Mitchell Mrs
Montague Miss
Orme Mr A A
Penn Mrs and Infant
Quinn Mr H
Rahan Mr H T
Robertson Major I K
King Mr J F
Schenck Mrs J child and Governess
Shepherd Mrs M and Infant
Shroff Mr D C
Singh Sirdar Kapur Singh Mr S A
Simson Mr and Mrs F A
Simonds Mr M H
Stwell Mr J K
Scott Mr B G
Strong Mr H S
Tirak Ram Mr
Walton R N Mr C E
Waterfield Mr and Mrs E H
Warden Commander S L S
Weldon Mr W L
Wheeler Miss C M
White R N Mr R E
White-King Mr J
York-Smith Mr F L

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT SUDAN.

THE hired Transport Sudan, Captain S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R, arrived in harbour yesterday from Southampton, which port she left on the 20th September, and called at Gibraltar, Malta, Port Said and Suez. She brought the 2nd Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment and drafts for 2nd Royal Scots, 1st Wiltshires, 1st Royal West Surreys, 1st Somerset Light Infantry and 77th and 81st Companies R. G. A., consisting of 49 officers, 11 ladies, and 11 children, 29 warrant officers, 14 women, and 3 children, 1,90 non-commissioned officers and men, 53 women and 42 children. The following are the names of the passengers :—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Lieut-Col and Mrs Neville and 2 children
Lieut Wilson
Major and Mrs Mathias
Major and Mrs Cooke
Mad F Moth
Major Keane
Capts d Mrs Thomas
Capt Cogs
Capt and Mrs Wright
Capt Scott
Capt C Wise
Capt and Mrs Kiddle and 2 children
Capt and Mrs Lethbridge and 2 children
Capt Trent
Capt Cooper
Capt Procher
Capt d Adjt Crookenden
Lieut Turner
Lieut Clarke
Lieut Redfern
Lieut Rowley
Lieut Bufield
Lieut M ine
Lieut and Q.-M Faley
Lieut Hill
Lieut Tabourdine
Lieut Embs t Terry
Lieut Colling
2nd-Lieut Faser
2nd-Lieut Maclean
2nd-Lieut Roig
2nd-Lieut Beauseaw
2nd-Lieut Williams
2 d-Lieut Iles
2nd-Lieut Ad-bead
2d-Lieut Le Hequet
Rev C A Alcock, Chaplain of E
Rev J Day, Chaplain R C
Mrs Bishop

FROM MALTA.

Major and Mrs Tristall
Miss Tristall
Capt Cuine
Lieut Holme
Lieut Lumsdaine
Lieut Yates
Major and Mrs Young and 2 children
Capt Cuine
Lieut Nichols
Lieut Mercer
Lieut Marshall

THERE is now being pulled down a house which is associated with the careers and work of three eminent English portrait painters. The house, now numbered, 32, stands on the south side of Cavendish Square, and, having been suffered to fall into disrepair, is to be rebuilt. The square was at first laid out as Oxford Square, on the Harley, now Lord Howard de Walden's estate, in 1717-18, though building operations were delayed for a while by the failure of the South Sea speculation. The house, says the "Builder," was occupied, until his death in 1770, by Francis Cotes, R. A., famed for his portraits in oils and crayons, who built and decorated the studio, an apartment some 18 feet square on plan. To Cotes succeeded, during the interval 1775-94, George Romney, to whom Sir Joshua Reynolds would refer as "the man in Cavendish Square." After Romney's retirement to Holly Bush Hill, Hampstead, the house was taken by Sir Martin Archer Shee, P.R.A., in 1798, the year of his election as an Associate Member of the Royal Academy.

ALLEGED SHOOTING CASE.

CONVICTION OF MURDER REVERSED.

MR. C. C. BOYD, Sessions Judge of Kanara, in July last, convicted Rama bin Dasnaik and another of murder and sentenced them each to transportation for life. An appeal by the accused was heard at the High Court on Thursday before the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston. Mr. M. R. Bodas appeared for the accused; and Rao Bahadur V. J. Kirtikar, Government Pleader, for the Crown.

The two accused were charged with the murder of one Bharma Naik by shooting him with a gun. Devi, the elder of the two widows of the dece

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

BENGAL INDIGO.

The preliminary forecast of the indigo crop of Bengal, for 1904, states :—

The important indigo-growing districts, where more than 10,000 acres have been sown with indigo this year, are the following :—

Champaran 84,000 acres, Muzaffarpur 35,000 acres, Darbhanga 32,000 acres, Purnea 25,500, acres, Saran 18,000 acres, Monghyr 11,100 acres, Bhagalpur, like Nadia and Murshidabad, has lost its importance.

The rainfall from January to April was generally much below normal, in all the indigo-growing districts. In January it was below normal in all. In February it was below normal in all, except Midnapur and Rangpur; in March in all except Burdwan, Bankura and Midnapore; and in April in all except Jessore and Rangpur. In the important indigo-growing districts the rainfall was heavy in May and below normal in June. In July the rainfall was below normal in Purnea and Darbhanga, and in August below normal in Purnea. On the whole the season has been unfavourable.

The total area sown under indigo this year in Bengal is 223,100 acres, against 249,700 acres in the last year, Purnea and Bardwan alone show an increase, and Champaran, Malda, Gaya, Cuttack, and Bankura show the same area as last year, while in all the rest the area under indigo shows a considerable reduction. It should be noted here that of the 19 indigo-growing districts, the figures representing the normal areas for Saran, Champaran Darbhanga and Midnapore, making a total of 194,200 acres, as well as the figures for actual area for Murshidabad, Midnapore and part of Darbhanga, making a total of 28,905 acres, are from survey figures. The figures for the rest are a rough approximation only.

From the appendix it will be seen that the outturn was normal only in Cuttack, Gaya and Malda and below normal in all the rest. Jessore shows an outturn of only 25 per cent. Of the important districts, Muzaffarpur shows an outturn of 30 per cent., Champaran 47, Darbhanga 73, Purnea 75, Monghyr 88, and Bhagalpur 89 per cent. of a normal crop. The District Officer's estimate for Bengal Proper is an outturn of 53 per cent. for North-Bihar, an outturn of 52 per cent., and for the other Bihar districts 78 per cent. For the whole Province Collectors return 56 per cent. of a normal crop. I estimate an outturn of 60 per cent. for Bengal Proper, 55 per cent for North-Bihar, and 80 per cent. for the other Bihar districts. For the whole Province I estimate an outturn of not less than 60 per cent.

According to the estimates of the District Officers, the told yield of indigo in North-Bihar amounts to about 22,000 factory maunds, against 29,885 of last year; and in Bengal Proper and other Bihar districts the yield amount to nearly 9,000 factory maunds, against 11,075 of last year, making a total of 31,000 factory maunds for the whole Province. Probably the outturn will not be more than 35,000 factory maunds.

Messrs Moran and Company estimate about 30,000 factory maunds from Bihar, including Khunti mahal, and about 10,000 factory maunds from Lower Bengal and the North-Western Provinces.

BENGAL WINTER RICE.

The preliminary forecast of the winter rice crop of Bengal for 1904, is as follows :—

Except in North and East Bengal, the rainfall before the setting in of the monsoons, was deficient. The rainfall was above normal in April in North and East Bengal and in May in all the Provinces except Orissa. There was again no rain anywhere in the first week of June, and during the month the rainfall was deficient in North East Bengal, almost normal in South West Bengal and Behar, and considerably above normal in Orissa and Chota Nagpur. In July the rainfall was copious and above normal, everywhere except in Orissa. In August, again, the rainfall was above normal in the Patna and Chota Nagpur Divisions and in the Districts of Monghyr and Bhagalpur, But much below normal in the Presidency, Burdwan, Dacca, and Chittagong Divisions, and the districts of Rajshahi, Jalpaiguri, and Pabna. In Orissa, however, the rainfall was practically normal during August. The rainfall in September was very low. On the whole, however, the rainfall up to date has not been unfavourable to the crop, though some rain is still needed during the period of flowering.

The Collectors of the districts of Jessore, Khulna, Rangpur, Mymensingh, Monghyr, and Purnea, have revised the figures for normal area supplied by them for the final forecast of 1903. The total normal area under winter rice, taking the revised figures is now estimated at 30,508 400 acres, against 30,554,400 given in the final forecast of 1903. The actual area under winter rice this year is 29,970,900 acres, against 27,395,800 acres of last year, showing an increase of 2,581,100 acres.

Out of forty-five districts in Bengal the following twenty expect an outturn of 101 per cent. and above, viz., Burdwan, Birbhum, Bankura, Rajshahi, Rangpur, Pabna, Dacca, Mymensingh, Faridpur, Gaya, Saran Champaran, Darbhanga, Bhagalpur, Sonthal Parganas, Angul, Hazaribagh, and Ranchi, Manbhum, and Singbhum. On the other hand, the following three districts expect a low outturn, viz., Jessore 67 per cent., Nadia 76 per cent, and Murshidabad 79 per cent. The following seven expect an outturn between 80 and 89 per cent., viz., Dinajpore, Jalpaigari, Patna, Monghyr, Malda, Cuttack and Puri. The remaining fifteen expect an outturn between 90 to 99 per cent.

According to the estimates of district officers, the outturn for the whole province works out to 93 per cent. of a normal crop, and this is probably right. The gross outturn would then come to 317,143,400 cwt., against 273,360,100 cwt. of last year.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

Major H R Mead, 116th Mahrattas, to officiate as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Bombay District vice Captain W Scott, 112th Infantry, invalided to England and pending return from leave o Major G S Broome.

Captain J C M Hoskyn, 44th Merwara Infantry to officiate as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General Mhow District, vice Captain O M J DaCosta, 35th Cavalry, invalided to England and pending return from leave of Major F L Vincent.

Lieutenant C H Standbridge, Double Company Officer, 124th Pioneers, is transferred to the 117th Mahrattas in the same capacity.

Lieutenant G A S Hooper, 1st Battalion, Cheshire Regiment, to be attached to 2nd Battalion, Yorkshire Regiment.

Second-Lieutenant K E Woolhouse, East Lancashire Regiment, will, on arrival in India, be attached as Supernumerary to the Battalion specified with a view to qualifying for appointment to the Indian Army, to 2nd Battalion, East Lancashire Regiment.

The posting of Captain J Campbell, Argyll and Southerland Highlanders, to the 1st Battalion, notified in Bombay Command Order No. 813 of 1904, is hereby cancelled.

Brigadier-General A W Proudfoot, Indian Army, is permitted to reside out of India on relinquishing Command of Bombay District.

The undermentioned officers have passed a course of Mounted Infantry training at the School of Instruction at Poona :—Captain W J W Brackenbury, 105th Mahrattas, Light Infantry; and Lieutenant W D Maxwell, 127th Baluch Light Infantry.

The undermentioned Officers and Non-Commissioned Officer have passed in the languages and tests specified:—Lieutenant T H. Scott, 50th Carnatic Infantry, Higher Standard, Urdu; Lieutenant H. N. Colan, 07th Punjabis, Higher Standard, Urdu; Lieutenant H. Grant-Smith, 104th Wellesley's Rifles, Higher Standard Urdu; Lieutenant C.W. Butler, 114th Mahrattas, Higher Standard, Urdu; Second-Lieutenant T.H. Seamion, 108th Infantry, Higher Standard, Urdu, Second-Lieutenant V. Cowell, 87th Punjabies, Lower Standard, Urdu; Lieutenant R.F. Seed Indian Medical Service Lower Standard Urdu; Captain J.B. Christian, Indian Medical Service, Lower Standard, Persian; and Store Sergeant F.W. Young, Ordnance Department, Higher Standard, Sindi.

The undermentioned Warrant Officers have been permitted by his Majesty's Secretary of State for India to return to duty:—Sub-Conductor F.D. McClung, Ordnance Department; and Sub-Conductor H. L. Weston, Ordnance Department.

Captain O.M.J. DaCosta, 35th Scinde Horse, is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate, for one year.

Second-Lieutenant G H Russell 129th Baluchistan Infantry, is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate, for six months.

Lieutenant L P Farrell, I M S, is granted to proceed out of India, on medical certificate, for six months.

Captain A C Edwardes 102nd Prince of Wales's Own Grenadiers, is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs, for one year.

Major the Honourable T W Brand, 10th Hussars, is granted leave out, of India for three months pending retirement.

Second-Lieutenant H L Roache, West Yorkshire Regiment (1st Battalion, has leave of absence out of India, on medical certificate, up to 16th November.

Captain H W Ducworth, York and Lancaster Regiment (1st Battalion), has leave of absence out of India for four months on medical certificate.

Second-Lieutenant R G Maclaine Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders 2nd Battalion has leave of absence out of India for six months on medical certificate.

THE ALLIANCE COTTON MANUFACTURING CO. LIMITED.

The twenty-second ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of this Company, has held yesterday afternoon, at the registered office of the Company, in Elphinistone Circle, Fort, Mr. Vijhbucandas Atmaram presiding. The following report of the Directors for the year ending 30th June last, was adopted :—

The mill worked during the year at a loss, owing to great rise in the prices of cotton due to large speculations in America and the comparative low price of yarn ruled during the year. From the audited accounts it will be seen that the Mill has made a loss of Rs 14,837-14-11, during the year. The Directors have the pleasure to state that the Secretaries and Treasurers have voluntarily given up the whole of their commission for which they deserve thanks. The mill together with the local stock-in-trade has been insured to the extent of Rs. 19,11,700.

Messrs. Vijhbucandas Atmaram and Gordhandas Sewram were re-elected Directors and Messrs, Jamnadas Permandas and A. J. Da. Quadros were re-appointed auditors on a remuneration of Rs. 150 each. Votes of thinks were passed to the Secretaries and Treasurers for having given up voluntarily the whole of their commission, and the Chairman for his able conduct in the chair.

FLORILINE.—For the Teeth and Breath.—A few drops of the liquid Florifline sprinkled on a wet toothbrush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The Fragrant Florifline being composed in parts of Honey and Sweet Herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Of all Chemists, and Perfumers. Wholesale Depot 33, Farringdon Road, London, England.

SWISS ARMY MANŒUVRES.

THE BOERS OF EUROPE.

THE Army manœuvres in Switzerland have this year excited special interest in view of the recent recall of Switzerland's military representative in the Far East at the instigation of the Russian Commander-in-Chief, an incident which aroused much feeling, writes a Geneva correspondent. The military possibilities of the country were in everyone's mouth; and anti-Russian feeling was for some-time as universal as it was bitter. The one and only interpretation of her action accepted by every class of Swiss was that Russia confident in her immensely superior power, had singled out the smallest of those European Powers which had shown any leanings towards Japan, as a safe subject on which to practice a show of petty spite. As the time for the manœuvres drew near, efforts were made to induce the Swiss military authorities to omit Russia, in extending her invitations to other nations to send their military representatives. The general feeling of irritation died down, however and all passed off without any further outward sign of wounded "amour propre." The strong inclination to side with Japan which is everywhere evident here is, however, prompted less by sentiment than by the much more practical force of commercial benefit. I learnt from a leading Swiss business man a few days ago that the import of fine silks into the country from Japan, represented no less than one-third of Japan's entire silk export trade. Further, there is a considerable Swiss colony in Japan, including university professors, doctors, and members of some of the largest Swiss commercial houses in the Republic while two of the principal hotels in Japan, one at Yokohama and one at Tokyo, are owned by Swiss proprietors.

In Switzerland the annual manœuvres appeal to every family in the land. Every man physically capable, has his term of service militaire to go through. The system, however, suggests England's Militia service much more than the rigorous conscription of France. The men turn out for it as cheerfully as our Volunteers for Easter. It is a national manifestation in which, as in Japan, every man is proud to take a part. The governing military system may be said to be individual rather than collective. Every man is not merely handed a rifle, but he is taught to use it intelligently and with the greatest effect. He is taught, moreover, to regard himself as an essential factor in the situation, and to keep out of harm's way by any and every legitimate means possible. He is the Boer among European nations in his tactics, the Jap in his stature and his patriotism and the Ghurka in his steady mountain work. The Swiss Army is a very real power which, should the time ever come, will create a surprise equal to that which we have lately received from the Japs. The country is geographically almost impregnable, and there is not one possible line from the outer world which is not as scientifically and efficiently guarded as the Dardanelles. So universal is the spirit of patriotic interest a manœuvre time that other public affairs are dropped. Not only do all the members of the War Department attend every movement in person, but all the Federal Councillors are keenly interested in the doing of an Army of which he has himself, in earlier years formed a part.

POPULAR ENTHUSIASM FOR THE ARMY.

The force in the field, in the operations just concluded, comprised about one-quarter of the entire male population. Despite vaillainous weather for the most part, thousands of onlookers hung around the field of operations, to concentrate later at Winterthur for the final grand review. As we left for Winterthur it poured; on our way there, during several hours, it poured; and at Winterthur it poured again. Mindful of the disastrous results of the review in the quagmire in 1897, when the men waded ankledeep through mud, in the wake of the guns, M. Muller, the Federal Councillor, countermanded the parade at the last moment, and the operations concluded as quietly as they had begun.

I was especially struck by the appearance and fine military spirit of the men from the Zurich canton, whose work, both in the field and in camp, was performed not only with remarkable intelligence but also with a good humour which, indeed, should be worth an army corps to any commander. In the field, when Zurich coulin't sing, it laughed; at all other times it sang—and Zurich can sing!

Colonel Wille's dispositions were marked by a clearness of insight and a tactical completeness which left little room for criticism. The cavalry which is often held to be the weak spot in the Swiss Army, has this year, in outpost and scouting work far exceeded anything it has hitherto done. The infantry were beyond praise. From their smartness and correctness of movement in the larger field operations to the minor tests of steadiness and silence in the ranks, their behaviour reflected the highest credit upon officer and soldier alike. The artillery, especially that of the Seventh Division, was less successful often arriving late at its rendezvous, though in at least one instance this was due to a misunderstanding of orders.

The Swiss main Army is, roughly the size of our own—about 250,000 strong. The first line is composed of all men from twenty to thirty years of age, the second of those from thirty to forty; and the third or reserve force, intended for garrison and defence work, of men up to fifty.

A DANGEROUS FOOD PRESERVATIVE.

Is formalin dangerous as a food preservative or is it not? There ought apparently, to be no doubt about the matter, but there is, even among those whose business it is to know. Thus, when a man was summoned at Greenwich for selling milk containing '001 per cent. of formic aldehyde the Public Analyst for Chelsea, who is the author of a book on food preservatives, declared that he had never known formalin to injure health—presumably when used as a preservative. Similar testimony was given by other witnesses, but medical evidence was all against the analyst, and the milkman was fined, writes a Home paper.

As the matter is one of very general importance a "Westminster" representative asked Mr. Otto Hehner the distinguished analytical chemist, for his opinion upon it. Mr. Hehner was in no two minds, holding that formalin is a dangerous poison and that it should never be used as a food preservative. It is a magnificent disinfectant for the sick room, &c., but unfortunately is scarcely ever used for that purpose. In the case in question '001 per cent. of formalin would probably be would not say certainly, do no harm. But it was the thin end of the wedge to allowing ignorant the used the adjective in a comparative sense only) persons to put chemicals in one's food. "No food supplier should have the right to administer to me an active chemical without my knowledge. If I want them I go to my chemist or doctor."

"What about boracic acid, then; that is used in almost every food surely?"

Yes. But it is very harmless and I really don't look upon it as an active chemical. Although it may be that our very general use, even of boracic acid, is largely accountable for our very general digestive troubles.

The Report of the Committee on Food Preservatives (1901,) continued Mr. Hehner, has never been acted upon. It recommended that formalin should never be used, while boracic acid might in certain cases up to one-half per cent.

You see, no preservative is inert. Every one is a poison for bacteria, otherwise it is not a preservative. Well, if harmful to a bacterium, then it is harmful to a man. But what will kill a mouse may not kill an elephant, and man is greater than a bacterium. Soff a preservative which is in itself a poison is carefully applied it may be used without any obvious effect on man; but if very powerful like formalin an overdose may be very bad for man. An overdose of boric acid by the milkman is of little consequence but milk, by common consent, should have no preservatives at all.

"Is formalin very generally used now?"

"No, not very. In fifty samples of London milk I have lately analysed I have found none. But it is used, and because we only hear of '001 per cent. the danger is not lessened. Who is to draw and keep the boundary-line between comparative harmlessness and grave danger? With £20,00,000 worth of imported butter alone we must in England take preservatives with our food. But let us at any rate take the innocuous rather than the virulent. Professor Wiley, of Washington, has discovered, after much experimenting, that boracic acid has a slight deterrent upon assimilation; but it is not of high importance, and we must put up with some slight disadvantage in return for the advantage of such enormous quantities of imported foods and their consequent lower prices. But do not let us preserve with formalin."

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attack.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	2	0	10
Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	2	2	18
D Kamthwady, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi	0	0	5
E Mazagon, Tarwady, and Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla, and 1st Nagpada	1	1	21
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	2	2	9
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	1	8
Total	7	6	78
Total plague deaths to date	277,205	229,133	95
Same date last year	7	7	95

CHOLERA.

Attack.	Deaths.
1	2

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It may be that those Parisians who have been hailing with such rapture the advent of the taxameter cab have been a little previous in their rejoicings. This is what an angry correspondent writes to one of the papers :—"My business necessitates that I drive daily a certain route through the city. Recently I have several times taken a taxameter cab. Would you believe it? Each time the indicator has marked a different amount to be paid although the journey has been always exactly the same. One day I paid 1 franc 15 centimes, on another 1·25fr and on a third 1·35fr. The taxameter, it seems to me, is a fantastic machine that has nothing exact about it."

An approximate estimate of the losses caused by the great fire at the Turin Library on January 28 has now been arrived at. Among them are four fourteenth-century manuscripts of the "Roman de la Rose," the celebrated "Hours" of Turin, a masterpiece of the miniaturist's art and the Cimeli of the House of Savoy, dating from the time of Charles Emmanuel I. As far as actual numbers go the fire reduced to ashes 2,230 volumes dealing with linguistics, 2,200 with philology, 4,147 law 2,760 political economy, 1,974 bibliography, 5,834 philosophy, 4939 polygraphy, and 2 343 of literary history. To replace them the "Societa Bibliografica Italiana" is appealing to the generosity of the scientific world.

Already the submarine is giving rope to the inventive genius of its commander and crew in the matter of tactics. During the recent manœuvres of the English fleet one commander took in tow an empty shell shaped to imitate exactly the back of a submarine. When well in sight of the enemy's vessel, with the certainty of being discovered the submarine plunged, leaving the dummy to occupy the attention of the gunners while it made its way to the opposite side of the vessel to be attacked, and succeeded in successfully delivering its torpedo. During the French manœuvres off Cherbourg a number of bottles were left to float in the track of the coming enemy, the necks of which were shaped to resemble the periscope of a submarine, and from the deck of a ship were easily mistaken for the real thing. The men-of-war were caught by the trick, opening fire on the bottles while the submarine was at work on the other side. It is evident that these little vessels will put a new and great strain on the crews of warships, who will be obliged to pay the strictest attention to every object near them no matter how innocent it may appear, for there will be no telling what inoffensive shapes they may adopt while lying in wait for the enemy.

One has to go back more than a generation to find in the Wigan coalfield an fincident running in the groove of the one reported from the Black country. On the 15th of March, 1883, a man and a house were engulphed at Ince, near Wigan. In one of the eight houses close to Ince parish church and the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway station lived Peter Plunkett, his wife, and six children. During the night, while the neighbours were asleep, there was a sudden crash, and down to unknown depths went the front portion of Plunkett's house. Plunkett and his family were safe, but it happened that Plunkett's brother-in-law, who lived next door, was just passing at the moment, and he was drawn into the abyss never to be seen again. The house had been built over an arch which crossed an old pit, and which gave way without a moment's warning. All efforts to recover the body of the engulphed man failed, owing to falls of earth and other obstacles. A strange funeral closed this episode. The relatives assembled round the dismal cavity, and clergyman read the Burial Service over the man lying in this strangest and deepest of graves. The hole was then securely closed.

While Colonel Younghushand is settling political questions at Lhasa (says an Indian writer) he might possibly settle a geographical question concerning the river called the Sangpo, which runs some fifty miles south of the sacred Buddhist city. Cartographers assume that the stream which breaks through the Himalayan barrier at the north-east corner of Assam is the great river of Tibet. But the assumption has never been proved to be a fact, and some geographers think that the waters of the Sangpo reach the ocean via the Irrawadi or the Salween. The Government of India a few years since sent a party to explore the hitherto unsurveyed portions of the stream where it breaks through the Himalayas but barbarians living in the locality would not allow the party to advance. It is too much to ask Colonel Younghusband to return by water to Calcutta, though possibly some adventurous spirits belonging to his party would be willing to make the attempt. This, however, could be done; floating messengers might be sent down the stream, to be waited for at the spot where the so-called Sangpo issues from the Himalaya. There are doubtless hundreds of dozens of tins daily emptied by the expedition. If while in the neighbourhood of the river a few hundred of these empty tins well soldered, were sent down stream, a few at least might reach Assam if the Sangpo and Brahmaputta are really the same stream.

One hears so much of the brutal treatment of inferiors in the German army that a story dealing with more friendly relations between a commander and his subordinate is a welcome change. It is true that in this instance both were officers, which may make a difference. It is well-known that in the German army no one, officer or private, may appear in mufti in a public place. A certain Lieutenant Schwartz, garrisoned in Berlin, for some reason or other took it into his head to go out in civilian clothes. Walking down an unfrequented street he came suddenly face to face with his colonel. Now Lieutenant Schwartz was a man of resource. As they met he addressed the colonel in a bass voice, quite different from his usual one: "I see you are an officer, sir. Could you perhaps tell me where I could find Lieutenant Schwartz, of the Second-so Regiment. I am his brother from the country and have come to visit him." The colonel politely gave him the required information and passed on. The lieutenant chuckled to himself and hastened homewards. Late that afternoon it happened that his duty brought him in contact with the colonel. The colonel looked at him queerly. "Lieutenant Schwartz," he said, "you will oblige me by telling your brother from the country should he ever visit Berlin again I will put him under arrest for ten days."

The haunted house is now much in evidence, and report of supernatural visitations come from all the quarters, from Upholland to Upsala. They have the champion ghost over at Mons, the place where they make rifles and guns, which, after all, are a poor setting for a ghost. Still, this is such an active spirit that it is well worth the attention of the Psychical Research Society. The ghost occupies an empty house on the outskirts of the town, and flings stones and other things at people in broad daylight. It does not respect any of the orthodox surrounding to make the Mons ghost give of its most entertaining performances. The other day a crowd of the curious gathered round the haunted house at high noon, and the ghost rose to the occasion and fired out empty bottles and such other ammunition as it could lay its hands on. A stately gendarme was awakened from his midday siesta and marched with measured tread to the scene of the performances. The uneasy spirit is evidently no respecter of law and order, as when the man in blue approached it laid him low with a well directed brick. Afterwards ghost and crowd disappeared, while the gendarme was carried by some of his colleagues to the hospital. The police authorities are investigating the matter, but what are policemen that they should undertake the fine work of physical research? The gendarmes express the view that the whole thing is evidently the work of some trickster, whom they hope to lay by the heels. Since the policeman was laid low the manifestations have ceased.

The latest census statistics published in Germany go to prove more than anything else that in the annexed provinces of Alsace and Lorraine the inhabitants are still very French, in spite of thirty years of German rule. The marriage rate in the two provinces is considerably lower than the average throughout the Empire, and the birth-rate is the smallest in all the German States. The Teuton emigrates to America at the rate of 62 per 100,000 inhabitants. The Alsatian and the Lorrainer do not care for the United States as an outlet for the surplus population, and their emigration figures are much below the average. In 1902 there were in the two provinces 12,893 marriages, 54,340 births, and 35,229 deaths. The excess of births over deaths is also below the average for the whole Empire. With regard to the migration to France the census returns give no other information than that it is still considerable.

The wire fence has something more to answer for than mere sheer ugliness. Since its introduction the number of cattle killed by lightning has annually increased. Recent investigations have shown that many of the animals have met their death in open fields where there were no trees which could be blamed for attracting the current. The discovery was this brought about that the lightning stroke was often administered through the medium of the wire fence itself. During severe storms cattle are liable to rush about panic stricken When they are stopped by a fence or hedge they remain standing huddled up against it, and lightning running along that fence does the rest. The suggested remedy is that at regular distances a wire should be run down from the fence and buried several feet in the earth.

A sense of humour is an excellent asset, even when it buries itself with such ghastly subjects as in the case in a story which is being recalled in connection with the tales of suffering coming from the Far East at present. During the American Civil War a certain young woman was in the habit of visiting one of the military hospital daily, distributing fruit, flower, and tracts. One morning on her round a young soldier, immediately after she had passed him, set up a loud laugh. She turned and looked at him in surprise. He seemed a pitiful case. Nothing of him but his facewas visited on the little white bed, and this young face was sadly thin and pale. Nevertheless, he laughed like one possessed. his mirth resounding through the room. The visitor returned him, "Will you tell me what amuses you?" she said. "Why ma'am," said he, "here you have given me a tract on the sin of dancing when I've got both legs shot off."

It is stated from Peking says the "N. C. Daily News" that two German explorers now surveying the Kansu-Kokonor (Ch'inghai) frontiers having been reported to be on the point of visiting Lh sa by way of Lake Kokonor, H. E. Yu Ta'i, the Chinese R sident at Lha sa, has telegraphed via Ch'engtu, Szechuan province, to the Waiwupu requesting that Board to prevent the German explorers from effecting their purpose. The ground for this, as given by the esident, is that as the Tibetans are engaged in treating with the Commissioners of the British Tibetan Expedition and the latter have given out that they do not wish outsiders to enter Tibet, he (the Resident) is apprehensive that, if the Germans be allowed to enter Tibet just now there will surely again arise some undesired unpleasantness between the officers of the two countries (British and Tibetans) making matters still worse than before.

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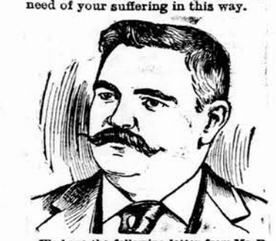

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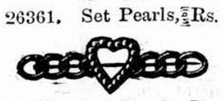

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M. A. P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

It is now some years ago, perhaps as many as a dozen, since Mr. Seymour Hicks rushed on the stage at Toole's an unknown actor, and rushed off again, at the close of the play—J. M. Barrie's "Walker, London"—with a name. He played the part of an excitable young medical student who, hearing while on a house-boat up the river that he had got his degree, did a lightning change from flannels into a frock-coat suit, topper and all, and listened to the "tickings of Miss Irene Vanburgh and Miss Mary Ansell (soon afterwards Mrs. J. M. Barrie) with a large and very new stethoscope. He was here, there, everywhere, all over the boat; appearing first at this window, then at that door, and immediately after on the upper deck, like a clown being chased about a trick sausage-shop.

As Mr. Seymour Hicks was on the stage, so he was in the dressing-room, the wings, the passages, and on the stairs of the theatre, when the final curtain was down. I had an invitation that night to go behind the scenes after the show, for what Toole called a shove in the mouth—a pet vulgarity of his, signifying a drink, and particularly a glass of gin and water—and on my way to the little room where the celebrated comedian, still dressed and painted up as the wayward Walker, lay writhing on a sofa in the agonies of gout, I more than once experienced a narrow shave of being "run over" by Mr. Hicks, who was rushing furiously in all directions, and could nowhere be found when wanted. "That young fellow, Hicks, has gone down well," I said to Mr. Toole. "Yes," groaned the afflicted actor, merrily twinkling his eyes in spite of the pain he was suffering; "I rather wanted to congratulate him, but I'm afraid it's hopeless. My friend Lowne has just gone to see if he can catch him in a net, but he is not likely to have any luck unless he comes across him in a corner!"

And ever since then, making reasonable allowance for sleep and meals, Mr. Seymour Hicks has been "on the go" at high pressure. The young doctor in "Walker, London," was not, as everyone thought it was at the time, a stage creation. It was the actor himself. It was Seymour Hicks. And in the new piece he and Mr. Cosmo Hamilton ("instructed," I am informed, by Captain Robert Marshall) have written for the Vaudeville, it is the same old story of "restless energy." The "crowds" he has rehearsed (assisted by his young brother, Mr. Stanley Brett) are never at rest for an instant, and no one sings a song without something unusual happening in the chorus to divide one's attention. As a matter of fact, one wants more than the recognised outfit of eyes and ears to appreciate the work of Mr. Seymour Hicks to the full. Perhaps this is the reason why people go and see his productions so many times. There is far too much to be taken in on a first visit, so they go over and over again until they get it all.

One comes away from The Catch of the Season with a sense of having been overfed. But the feeding has been good. The legend of Cinderella, put into modern dress, and elaborated at all points by the Genius of Musical Comedy, has been very charmingly acted by all concerned, and there has not been a single adhesive line. By her winning ways, her pretty face and figure, and her delightful singing the very youthful Miss Zena Dare, who was recently seen in Sergeant Brue, has made her little Mayfair Cinderella a very lovable memory; and Mr. Seymour Hicks, in the part of the young Duke of St. Jermyns, the Prince Charming of the story, has given us of his best in two moods—the pure comedy mood of his work in Sweet and Twenty, and the musical comedy mood of his play in The Cherry Girl. I see that one of our critics, referring to Mr. Hicks's former mood, is inclined to detect in popular young comedian the rankings of another Wyndham. Visitors to the Vaudeville and to The Catch of the Season will say that if Mr. Seymour Hicks is ever to be a Wyndham, it will be a whirl-Wyndham or nothing!

As if his duties at the Vaudeville and his share in the production at the Lyric of the new edition of The Earl and the Girl were not enough for his energetic nature to go on with for a little time, Mr. Seymour Hicks must needs give his attention to the organisation of a fresh function for dramatic critics. A few days before the introduction of The Catch of the Season, one of the principal attractions of which is the beauty of the ladies' costumes, Mr. Hicks arranged that there should be a "private view" of Lucile's of the "frocks and frills" of the new piece, and invitations were accordingly sent out to the critics for a sort of tableaux vivants "at home" in Hanover Square, where the dresses were exhibited on the bodies of the very ladies who were to appear at the Cinderella ball in the Strand. There were some eighty costumes shown in this way, instalments, on a little stage with strong lights thrown on to it, and Mr. Hicks's "idea" must have been very heartily appreciated by the lady critics and artists of the weekly illustrated journals. It may be doubted whether the invitation was accepted by the critics of the dailies, who would scarcely be likely to lend encouragement to Mr. Hicks's novel scheme. One can imagine the critic who was commanded by his editor to attend this strange dress rehearsal growling to himself, after the manner of the proverbial pantomime super who played the meat-screen in the Giant's Kitchen, and was asked by the stage manager to add to his artistic responsibilities by carrying on a banner in the Banquet scene. More blooming study!

The latest leading lady to Sir Henry Irving, who opened his touring season on Monday at Cardiff, after many days of rehearsal at Drury Lane Theatre, is Miss Edith Wynne Matthison, the young actress who recently made so conspicuous a success in the conscience-stirring "Everyman." Miss Matthison, who in private life is Mrs. C. Rann Kennedy has been on the stage for seven years and a half, and during that time has played a variety of parts, ranging from the chorus in musical comedy (where her dramatic work consisted in wearing pretty dresses gracefully and indulging in actions and dumb conversations more or less indicative of the progress or otherwise of the story) to the heroines of Shakespeare's tragedies. Both as to singing and acting, however, her preparation for the stage was entirely in the direction of classical work.

Being the niece of the late Rume, Edith Wynne, as well as of Arthur Matthison, the dramatist and actor, the leading lady in Sir Henry Irving's company may be said to have started her artistic career supported by strong natural advantages. To these she has added everything that hard work, constant study, and absolute devotion to her work can accomplish. The spiritual vision underlying all she does, the peculiarly magnetic and sympathetic personality, the technical finesse speak for themselves. Half the battle of the players career is over when he or she can get the audiences sympathy for the personality as well as the part, and Miss Matthison is fortunate in the possession of the faculty for interesting the people in front in more than a purely dramatic sense. We had an illustration of the power of personality in the immediate success the other night of Miss Eleanor Rosbon at the Duke of York's.

Six weeks after her first appearance on the stage, Miss Edith Wynne Matthison was engaged to play leading parts, and it speaks well for her abilities that she has been playing them almost continuously ever since. Musical comedy occupied the first year of her career (the "musical" part of the mixture appealing to her more strongly than the comedy"); very domestic and very sensational melodrama, involving for her in some instances much physical as well as mental endurance, took up the second year of her professional life; while in the third year, beginning an engagement with Mr. Ben Greet, she got back to her beloved Shakespeare, for whom, as a semi-professional amateur, she had been preparing so long before ever going on the stage. With Mr. Greet she entered upon the long long engagement of five years and a half which expired only a few weeks ago.

She has played twenty heroines of Shakespeare, including Juliet (first favourite, of course), Rosalind, Portia, Ophelia, Viola, Beatrice, Katherina, and Miranda; whilst among her old English comedy parts have been the unescapable Lady Teazle, the equally necessary Kate Hardcastle, the no less inevitable Pauline (in The Lady of Lyons), and Peg Woffington. Of numerous various other parts rendered by Miss Matthison, ever with the enthusiasm and intelligence of a true artist, may be mentioned the Princess Angela in A Royal Family, Iolanthe in King Dene's daughter, Violet Oglander in Mr. Henry Arthur Jones's remarkable, but not remarkably successful, play, The Lackey's Carnival (produced a few years ago at the Duke of York's Theatre) and last, but very far from least, her never-to-be-forgotten Everyman. Since her great success in America, Miss Matthison has received many flattering offers of engagement, one of them representing the opportunity of appearing under her own management at a London theatre, but, naturally, Sir Henry Irving's offer, with the splendid chance it afforded of finishing her artistic training under the banner of the greatest living actor, appealed to her before all else.

A stranger on board the Dublin mailboat from Holy-head a Sunday or two ago would have asked with a wink if there was any emerald to be seen in his eye had he been seriously informed that he beheld the leading lady of Mr. Barrie's Little Mary company in a very young and very much charming girl, with a flattering wealth of soft, brown hair, and a pair of great dreamy eyes of the same colour, who was scrambling over the ropes and chains of the boat, and exploring every corner like a regular tomboy. But the stranger, attending the Theatre Royal, Dublin, on the following evening, would have seen the identical young lady—Miss Christine Silver—playing the part of Moira Loney in a perfectly calm and self-contained fashion, for all the world as if she had been an experienced actress of many years' standing with a magically preserved youthfulness. Miss Silver came from school in Switzerland only a year ago, and her stage experience is but that year old!

The circumstances in which Miss Christine Silver made her debut are somewhat remarkable, or at all events decidedly unusual. Four years ago Mr Addison Bright, Mr. J. M. Barrie's private secretary, was copyrighting a play at the Criterion Theatre, and in consequence of some misunderstanding or other with one of the artists, Miss Silver, who happened to be present, was pressed into reading a part. The same afternoon she had to go back to school, but Mr. Bright did not forget how wonderfully effective her reading had been, and when a year back, he was forming with Mr. Walter Maxwell a company to take Quality Street on tour, he offered her a minor part and the understudy of the leading role.

Just before the opening night of the tour the leading lady fell seriously ill, and as a result Miss Christine Silver made her first bow to an audience at Margate in the part of Phebe. Since then her success has been unbroken, and a brilliant future has been predicted for her wherever she has appeared. A Londoner by birth, she belongs to a family which, though not directly connected with the stage is notable for artistic ability, and she has an uncle who was for many years a prominent member of one of the Savoy D'Oyly Carte companies. She is wholly unspoiled by the high opinions of her acting.

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of which worry and anxiety are such distressing symptoms, demands special treatment the nature of which is easily understood. If the body be weak it shows that fitting nourishment is required, and the same is equally true if the nervous system be weakened. It needs proper nutrition.

But how seldom the exhausted nervous system receives the right treatment. In many cases stimulants are resorted to, which give merely fictitious and temporary strength to the nerves, but actually leave them more weakened and worn out than before. If the nervous system be exhausted it really requires a remedy that will assist the nervous system to assimilate nourishment from the ordinary food, and will at the same time supply the vital nerve elements which are lost under the strain of overwork. Such a remedy is found in

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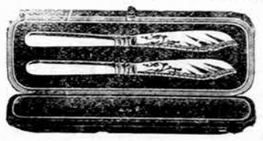

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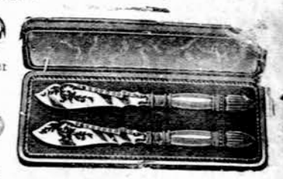

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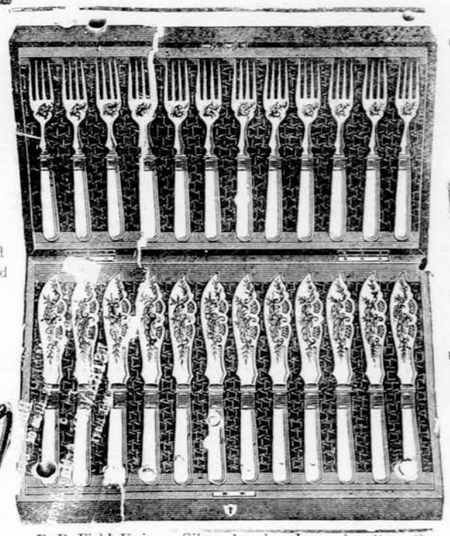

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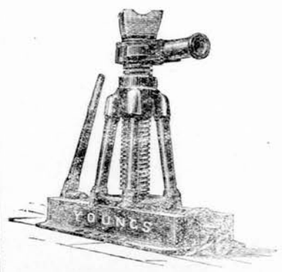

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